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#### Soviet hijackers charged

MOSCOW (R) — Two surviving members of a Siberian family of musicians who hijacked a Soviet plane have been charged with terrorism and will stand trial next month, a newspaper said Friday. The government newspaper Izvestia said Olga and Igor Övechkin had also been charged with hijacking involving the deaths of people and attempting in cross the border illegally. It said their irial would open on Sept. 6 in the family's home town of Irkutsk, where the hijacked flight originated. Nine people died in a gun hattle between the Ovechkins and security forces who stormed the hijacked Tupoley-154 after it landed at a military airfield near Leningrad March 8. "Yes, only two people from the whole group will face the court," Izvesua said. "The ribers, as is known, committed suicide. The young children who were with the crimioals at the time will not be charged." All but one of the 12 Ovechkins were on the plane when two brothers pulled shotguns from an instrument case somewhere over the Urals and demanded in be flown to London.

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#### AROUND THE WORLD...

#### Reagan sends message to Gorbachev

MOSCOW (AP) - U.S. Ambassador Jack Matlock Friday gave a top Soviet official a letter from President Rocald Reagan to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev that reportedly focused on missile treary talks. A Western official, speaking to reporters on condition he not be identified by name or country, said that after handing over the letter, Matlock and Soviet First Deputy Foreign Minister Yuli Vorontsov discussed the talks on the 1972 Children the talks, treaty. The official hinted that the letter also concerned the talks, was familiar with scheduled to start Aug. 24 in Geneva. The ometal was rammed that the meeting and the contents of the letter. TASS reported that the meeting and the contents of the letter. TASS reported that they discussed "limiting nuclear and space arms, building on the talks held during the Moscow summit meening."

#### Quakes shake southern Iranian cities

NICOSIA (R) — Earthquakes measuring up to 6.2 on the Richter scale hit the Gulf port of Bushehr and the city of Shiraz in southern Iran Thursday, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported Friday. The agency made no mention of any casualnes or damage.

#### Protesters march to Clark air base

ANGELES, The Philippines (AP) - About 2,000 students and some Roman Catholic nuns marched to an American air base Friday for a rally demanding the closure of U.S. military facilities in the Philippines. Abour 120 Filipino riot police guarded the main gate to Clark air base as the protesters chanted slogans. A similar protest was planned Saturday outside Subic bay naval hase, 50 kilometres southwest of Angeles. President Corazon Aquino is under growing pressure not to renew the 1947 bases agreement, U.S. and Filipino panels have been negotiating here for more than four months on terms that should apply during the agreement's last two years.

#### Evren gives okay for referendum

ANKARA (AP) - President Kenan Evren Friday approved a constitutional amendment designed to allow earlier municipal elecnons, opening the way for a national referendum. The amendment was approved 284 to 95 in the 450-seat legislature a week ago. Only the ruling Motherland Party voted for the change. The amendment calls for local elections nationwide on Nov. 13 and says local elections rostitutes as in the future can be moved ahead by as much as a year. But a constitutional amendment has to be submitted to a national referendum if adopted by less than 300 votes in parliament. The referendum is expected to take place Sept. 25.

#### S. Asian summit switched to Pakistan

KATHMANDU (R) - Heads of state or government of seven South Asian nations are to meet in December in Pakistan instead of Sri Lanka because of the security situation on the island. Nepalese Foreign Minister Shailandra Kumar Upadhyaya told reporters Friday the Colombo government had asked the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) to change the venue. The shift was widely predicted because of the difficulty of ensuring the safety of the South Asian leaders including Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

#### **British scientists fly to Moscow**

LONDON (AP) - Two British scientists travelled Friday to the Soviet Union to set up the only independent, foreign-run seismic station to monitor Sovier nuclear tests. Jonathan Doody and Paul Coward plan to set up the station at Garm near the Afghan border, rter turns: 1.280 kilometres south of the main Soviet nuclear test site at 27 Killman Semipalatinsk, said Andrew Parker, a scientist who works with ar Killman Coward at Leicester University in England. Doody works at Glasgow University in Scotland. The researchers hope their tests will help hring about a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty by proving that it is possible to monitor even small nuclear explosions, said Parker.

#### Boy penetrates Israeli defences to Syrla

TEL AVIV (R) — A 14-year-old Druze boy frightened by his hrother fled to Syria across complex Israeli defences on the occupied Golan Heights before being captured and returned by Syrian soldiers, Israeli sources said Thursday. The Israeli sources said the boy, from the Golan Heights village of Buq'ata, ran away from home because the brother threatened to kill him for allowing some cows to escape while he was tending the family herd. Syrian soldiers questioned the boy for two days before turning him over to Israeli troops. The Israelis questioned him briefly before returning him to

#### U.N. official to see Somalls' plight

GENEVA (R) — The number of refugees fleeing from northern Somalia to Ethiopia has reached 300,000, and a top U.N. official is travelling to the area this weekend to assess how to cope with their needs, a U.N. spokesman said Friday. Arthur Dewey, deputy U.N. high commissioner for refugees (UNHCR), will fly from Geneva to make an urgent on-the-spot assessment, the spokesman said. UNHCR officials said last month some 3,000 people were crossing the border daily from Somalia to Ethiopia to escape fighting between rebels and Somali government troops.

#### Liberian coup suspect 'jumped to death'

MONROVIA (R) — A suspected coup ploner being questioned by President Samuel Doe leaped to his death from a sixth-floor window at the presidential palace in March, according to testimony at a Liberian treason trial. Sarah Lawrence, a girlfriend of the dead suspect, Joseph Robert Kaipaye, said she was listening to the questioning from behind a curtain in a palace interrogation room when she heard Doe cry out: "You all - catch that man." Lawrence testified Thursday as the first witness in the trial of 10 men charged with plotting to kill Doe. She said soldiers went downstairs to investigate and she later saw Kaipaye's body on the ground. The prosecution says Kaipaye was among organisers of a plot to take over the government of Liberia.

#### rag reopens trade centre in Dubai

DUBAI (R) - Iraq is reopening its trade centre in Dubai, closed bree years ago after a series of Iranian attacks on ships in the Gulf, n Iraqi embassy official said Friday. He said the centre was resuming table Iraqi-flag vessels to sail through the Gulf for the first time ince the war broke out eight years ago. Dubai's route the war broke out eight years ago. ere worth 42 million dirbams (\$11 million) in 1987 compared with s reexports to Iran of 1.3 hillion dirhams (\$354 million).

#### Bomb blast on bus kills 8 in N. India

HANDIGARH (R) — Eight people were killed when a bomb lanted by Sikh extremists exploded on a bus just outside this north adian city Friday, police said. They said 27 people were injured then the time bomh went off half an hour after the hus left handigarh, joint capital of Punjab and Haryana states. Two of the ictims were decapitated by the powerful blast which ripped through he roof of the hus, reports said.

### Jordan, PLO open talks in positive spirit

By Nermeen Murad Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Friday opened talks described as "smooth, honest and brotherly" on the Kingdom's decision to sever legal and administrative ties with the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

It was the first meeting between the two sides after His Majesty King Hussein announced that Jordan was severing formal links with the West Bank to make room for the PLO to assume its responsibilities as the sole legitimate representative of the

Palestinian people. Friday's talks went "smoothly, in an atmosphere of honesty and hrotherly feelings," the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The Jordanian side to the meeting was headed by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and included Interior Minister Rajai Dajani, Information Minister Hani Khasawneh and Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Fayez Tarawneh while the PLO side was headed by Executive Committee member Mahmoud Abhas and included

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM

(Agencies) — Israeli troops killed

one Palestinian and wounded

another Friday after a trio of

Palestinians allegedly attacked

their patrol in the occupied Gaza

ly after midnight in Mughazi refugee camp, an army after midnight in Gaza's

spokesman said. He said the dead

man, Riad Suleiman Abu Man-

dil, 23, had participated in anti-

Israeli protests and attacks on

The death brought to 251 the

number of Palestinians killed

since the Palestinian uprising be-

Israeli military officials who

demanded anonymity said troops

apparently caught the Palesti-

nians by surprise as they were

painting ann-Israeli slogans on

They said Abu Mandil fled

soldiers in the pasr.

gan Dec. 8.

camp walls.

Friday's clash took place short-

executive committee members Abdullah Hourani, Abdul Razak Al Yahya and Mohammad Milhem in addition to Hani Al Hassan, an advisor to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Khasawneh told reporters the three-and-a-half hour meeting, held at the Prime Ministry, covered "issues of mutual concern in a very constructive and positive atmosphere."

A senior PLO official told the Jordan Times that the talks centred on "Jordanian-Palestinian relations in light of the Kingdom's recent decision to sever legal and administrative links with the West Bank."

He also said the talks covered proposals for a Palestinian government-in-exile, which is under discussion within the PLO itself

Arab shot dead in Gaza

wounded and may have hed to

On Thursday, a Jewish settler

in the West Bank was charged

with manslaughter for shooting a

young Palestinian during protes-

old settlement leader from Ofra,

was the second settler to face

charges over the killing of a

Palestinian since the start of the

ing in a car in Beitin village near

Jerusalem in January when they

came across burning tyres placed

by demonstrators who hurled

stones. He gave chase and Peres, opened fire, killing Rabah Hus- Party.

He and a bodyguard were rid-

Pinhas Wallerstein, a 39-year-

from the army patrol after being sein Ranam, 16.

death. An autopsy was being Israel's two major political par-conducted to determine the cause ties intensified dehate on the fu-

Troops also arrested the third after Jordan's decision to cut leg-

member of the Palestinian group, al and administrative ties with the



Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Executive Committee member Mahmoud Abbas head Jordan-PLO talks which opened in Amman Friday (Petra photo)

The PLO official, who spoke on condinon of anonymity, said the two sides discussed the status of Jordanian passports held by West Bank residents, the rights of employees in the occupied territories who were retired and compensated in a recent measure by the Kingdom, and "the implications of these measures on the future of Palestinians."

Reuters quoted Hourani as saying that "we hope that the end result would be positive for the benefit of the Palestinians and Jordanians.

Arafat, in his first media interview since the Kingdom announced its decision, has assured Palestinians living in the West Bank that "the PLO will he able to handle its responsibilines in the occupied territories."

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Meanwhile, the leaders of

ture of the West Bank and Gaza

In an interview with armed

forces radio, Foreign Minister

Shimon Peres said Israel had to

decide in the Nov. 1 elections to

pursue peace before arguing ab-

out who the Arah partner would

"What does Israel want - to

take a peace initiative or to sir

idly and let the Arabs and the

Russians an the whole world run

our affairs? If we do not take the

ininative — and that's actually what the Likud proposes —

others will take it.'

others will take it," warned Peres, the head of the Labour

#### Khasawneh chides **Qadhafi**

AMMAN (J.T.) — Information Minister Hani Khasawneh has described as unwise an attack hy Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi on Jordan and its leadership and called on the Libyan leader to try and understand what Arab unity means and how to address other Arab leaders.

The information minister's statement came in reply to an interview given by Qadhafi to Radio Monte Carlo in which Qadhafi contended that Jordan did not offer anything to the Palestinians living under occupa-

In an interview with the same radio Thursday, Khasawneh said that had it not been for "Arab manners and the protocol of addressing Arab leaders 1 would have allowed myself to use a word other than protest against what Qadhafi alleged."

Khasawneh said what His Majesty King Hussein, his father and grandfather before him as vell as his great grandfather leader of the Great Arab Revolt, offered in the context of unity between the East and West Banks and ensuring prosperity for the West Bank before and after Israel occupied it in 1967 cannot be belittled.

"I wish that Qadhafi would learn through the years what untted Arab efforts mean and how to address other Arab leaders. He added that if anyone wanted to belittle what King Hussein achieved and what he offered we say that it is enough for His Majesty the collective love of his people and his Armed Forces and the trust he has acquired all over the Arab World.

"I hope that God would enlighten Qadhafi and give him wisdom so that he would not reopen wounds and ro allow the Arab World to live without those types of comments which have already bored the Arab Nanon and do not serve its national problems," Khasawneh said.

The information minister explained that the measures adopted by Jordan concerning its employees in the West Bank and been retired or promised end-ofservice compensation used to collect two wages, one from the Jordanian government and another from the Israeli occupation authorities.

He said King Hussein had contacted Arah countries and some foreign nnes and called upon them to continue to support the sons and daughters of the Palestinian people living under occupa-

#### King, North Yemeni leader exchange views

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Friday received a telephone call from North Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh. The two leaders exchanged views on a number of pan-Arab issues.

### Jordan to airlift urgent aid to Sudan

AMMAN (J.T.) — The National Comminee for Solidarity with Sudan held an emergency meeting Friday and discussed the situation in Sudan which is ravaged by unprecedented floods. The committee decided to urgently dispatch Inrdanian medical teams and rescue and civil defence personnel to Sudan to help the Sudanese authorines

in relief operations. The committee, which is chaired by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, also decided to send medicines and food relief and construction supplies as well as water sterilisers and pow-mic Affairs.

Sudanese hospitals and medical centres, the Jordan News Agency. Petra, said,

Petra said the committee, whose decisions came in line with directives from the Crown Prince. decided to airlift the supplies and that further help would be sent to

The committee also called on the citizens to continue their support for the Sudanese through making contributions, which could be sent to the committee at the Ministry of Awqaf and Isla-

#### Floods cause untold damage in Khartoum

CAIRO (Agencies) - More than 83,000 houses have been destroyed in Sudan's capital. Khartoum, by floods caused by torrential rains that left 1.5 million people homeless, the Middle East News Agency (MENA) reported.

The Egyptian agency, in a report from Khartoum, quoted an unidentified Sudanese official. The official's figure of 83,240 demolished houses in the Khartoum area alone was much higher

than previous estimates which ranged between 10,000-10,000. The new figure did not include the number of houses destroyed in eastern and northern areas of peak.

the country that were also ravaged by floods. Heavy downpours caused the floods which left Khartoum's almost four million inhabitants struggling with electricity, drink-

since last weekend. At least 11 people died in the swept away into the Nile and floods, and Sudanese Prime never seen again, they said. Minister Sadek Al Mahdi said 1.5 million people were homeless.

Khartoum from Arab and West Geneva, a senior United Nations his district. official said that lack of boars is

bampering relief distribution. Hybad Chowdhury, senior officer at the U.N. Office of the Disaster Relief Coordinator, said the situation remains "very se-

people. Many have taken to high ground, on piles of rubble. You can't commission a lnt of boats like in South-East Asian countries." he said.

Officials quoted by Reuters said an outbreak of epidemic diseases could be imminent after the floods last week in which an estimated 1.5 people lost their

The level of the River Nile was still creeping up, raising the prospect that the disaster could be compounded next week when the river's annual flood reaches its

Mahdi said Wednesday he had been terrified to discover during a tour of disaster areas that so little

help had reached the victims. Forcign diplomats and relief officials said the death toll in the ing water and food shortages capital alone was certain to be much higher. Many people were

never seen again, they said. A resident of one of the worsthit areas in Khartoum inld Reu-International aid poured into ters last Sunday that he knew of at least 30 people who were mis-European countries. But in sing after a wall of water struck

> Khartoum, a city of four million people, was still suffering bread and fuel shortages. Power was restored to more districts Friday but many areas still had no water and communications with the outside world were erratic

taken a major tnwn." a Soviet

source told reponers in Termez.

where 1,000 withdrawing Soviet

troops arrived from Kunduz pro-

"Everybody thought they

would attack in the south or east,

so maybe they decided to try

something spectacular in the north," the source said.

attacks across Afghanistan as the

The rebels have stepped up

### Afghan rebels assume control of major town

TERMEZ, The Soviet Union (R) - Rebels Friday seized a major Afghan town for the first time. taking the northern provincial said: "The employees who have capital of Kunduz as Soviet troops pulled our. Soviet sources

> The sources in Termez, who included high-ranking officers, said Afghan government forces still held the airport in Kunduz, 60 kilometres south of the Soviet

> They said the rebels were pushed out of the town for about an hour early Friday morning, but had regained control.

"This is the first time they have

first deadline of the Soviet troop withdrawal approaches. Half of Moscow's 100,000strong force in Afghanistan is due to be out of the country hy Monday under United Nations-

mediated Geneva accords which took effect May 15. The entire force is to be withdrawn by Feb. Sources in Termez said a Soviet unit which pulled out of Kabul

this week had stopped pushing north when it reached the Kunduz airport to help Afghan government troops hold off the rebel Soviet sources said street fight-

ing hroke out in Kunduz as a Soviet column of 65 vehicles moved towards the border.

town in the Soviet Republic of Uzbekistan, the troops were met hy officials, U.N. observers and foreign journalists and feted at a welcome ceremony.

### U.N. monitors in Gulf race to meet ceasefire deadline

the officials said.

ters near Jerusalem.

BAHRAIN (Agencies) - A United Nanons team started a race against time Friday to get observers to the Iran-Iraq warfront in time for an Aug. 20 ceasefire deadline as Iraq accused Iran of shelling Iraqi areas despite a tacit truce that has been holding since last week.

"Time is very short," Finnish Lieutenant-Colonel Yrjo Helanen told Reurers in Baghdad. "We hope everything will be in place by Aug. 20. If there is good will on both sides, why not?"

Helanen was sent here five months ago to inspect war damage to civilian targets. He is now in charge of a five-man advance group preparing for the arrival of about 350 military observers from 24 countries.

A 485-strong Canadian signals unit will hack the U.N. Iran-Iraq Military Observer group (UN-IIMOG), commanded by Yugoslav General Slavko Jovic.

Canadian sources said an advance signals group of about 12 men was expected to arrive Saturday. Canada could possibly add a 110-strong support unit, bringing its contribution to 595. The supply base would be in Turkey, they

The sources said the Canadians would man both sides of the frontlines but they did not know how the teams would be divided.

Helanen said UNIIMOG would simply monitor the ceasefire along the 1,200 kilometres of monntain, marsb and desert separating combatants who in almost eight years of fighting have killed an estimated one million people.

We are not here to set up when U.N. Secretary-General vinlations and try to stop escalation," he said.

Iran denied Friday that it bombarded Iraqi military positions with hundreds of shells and missiles after the start of an unofficial truce leading up to the ceasefire.

A spokesman for the war information beadquarters in Tebran called Iraq's shelling claims 'false propaganda," the official Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA) reported.

Iraq Thursday accused Iran of

this week near the Shatt Al Arab A fragile, unofficial truce had

WINDHOEK, Namibia (R) —

The South African army is rein-

forcing the northern horder of

tration in northern Namibia, told

Reuters in a telephone call Friday

that convoys were passing north

through Ondangwa, which is a

few kilometres south of Osbakati,

Other eyewitnesses in Namibia

confirmed the huildup. South

detailed reporting of military

movements without official

dhoek said he could not confirm

or deny reports of military move-

a garrison town.

Friday.

shelling Iraqi military positions

buffer zones, just to report any Javier Perez de Cuellar announced that Iran and Iraq agreed to observe a ceasefire to begin Aug. 20. Face-to-face talks were scheduled to begin five days later in Geoeva. The Iraqi mission to the U.N.

said in a one-page statement Thursday that Iran's armed forces bombarded Iraqi military positions around the southern port of Basra with Howitzer and mortar shells and small missiles on Wednesday and Thursday. It said Iran also bombarded

Iraqi positions near the southern Fao Peninsula. Iravian President Ali

Khamenei contended Friday the been in place since Monday, ceasefire was a victory for Iran.

to comment on the military situa-

#### S. Africa reinforces Namibia-Angola border ments in the region. Army Cuba in Geneva last week to spokesmen in Pretoria declined talks with Pretoria's Foreign

Pretoria-ruled Namibia ahead of tion in Namibia and southern Angola, its promised withdrawal from "As we said on Wednesday, Angola, eyewitnesses said the planning process is on the go Peter Kalangula, chairman of and we will be out of Angola by the Ovamboland local adminis-Sept. 1," one official said.

South African military analyst De wet Potgieter said it would make sense to reinforce the border in the Ovamboland region because that was the main infiltration route used by the nationalist guerrillas of the South-West People's Organisa-

tion (SWAPO). Africa's defence act outlaws more "I am sure they would also want to be prepared in case the Cuhans come over the border,' An army spokesman in Winhe said.

South Africa agreed at U.S.mediated talks with Angola and withdraw an estimated 2,000 men from Angola by Sept. 1. When a ceasefire took effect

were up to 300 kilometres inside Angola. Their withdrawal began Wednesday. The agreement is linked to the withdrawal over a longer period of an estimated 50,000 Cuban

troops from Angola and to plans for internationally supervised independence for Namibia. Angola and Cuba have prom-

ised to agree a umetable for the Cuban pullout before Sept. 1.

Nuclear talks

In another development, the United States, the Soviet Union and Britain urged South Africa Friday to open its nuclear plants

to international inspection during

Minister Pik Botha in Vienna. A statement at the end of the Monday, South African troops confidential talks, ininated by South Africa, said there had been informal discussions on the issue between a delegation headed by Botha and senior diplomats of the three countries.

They are the main guarantors of the 1970 nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) which obliges signatories to open their ouclear facilities to inspections by the Vienna-hased International Alomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

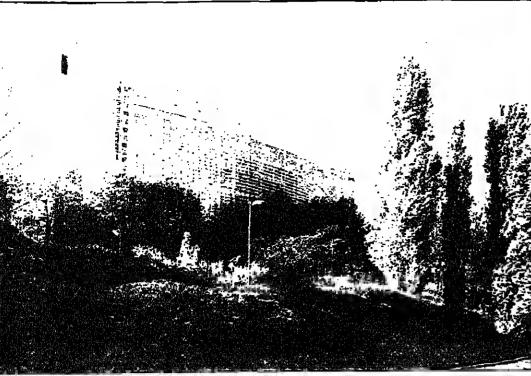
South Africa, which is not a signatory, has a top-secret plant capable of producing weaponsgrade enriched uranium and many experts believe the country possesses nuclear weapons or can make them.

On arrival in Termez, a border

The official TASS news agency said the unit was one of the first to have entered the Afghan war after the Soviet Union intervened militarily in December 1979.

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The institute - a view from the outside

### A glimpse of Arabia in Paris

By Mariam Shahin

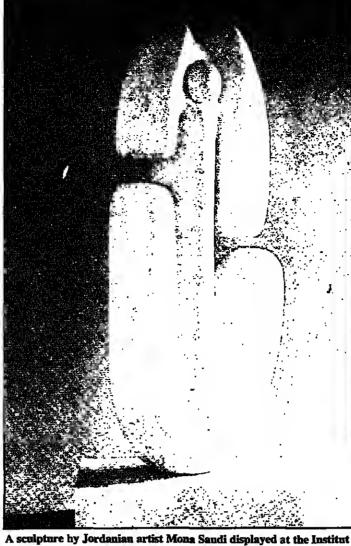
IN the middle of Paris, in an area called the Fifth Arrondissement. stands a seven storey piece of art called the Institut du Monde Arab. It is an impressive institute which has evidently made a Iremendous effort 10 collect, preserve and put on display countless treasures which originate from the Middle East and in particular from the Arab World. Objects range from ancient patches of tapesiry, carved sione and archaeological finds to modern sculptures and paintings. Jordan's

grand and sole contribution to centrates on the historic develop-this palace of Middle Eastern ment of Islam, divided into five treasures is the work of sculptress Muna Saudi.

working himself/herself down the the era of scientific discoveries. five storeys devoted to the museum. The first ball of the Masbreq to the Arah Maghreb. The second department con-

parts: 1) The era in which the message of Islam was spread; 2) A visitor can view the valuables the reign of the first four caliphs; of the institute's museum by start- 3) the Umayyads (661-750); 4) ing on the seventh floor and the Ahbassids (750-1258); and 5)

Section three goes far beyond the boundaries of the Arab and museum introduces Arab-Islamic Middle Eastern world. Artifacts civilisation, in a geographic con- from Islamic Spain, Persia, Turlexi, in which artifacts from pre- key, and even India and Italy historic Arahia are included, from the ninth century through liems on display range from the the nineteenth and twentieth cen-Arabian peninsula and the Arab turies are covered in this section. The museum has created three "departments" along social and



du Monde Arab

philosophical lines: 1) the family and the state; 2) the city and the desert; 3) expression and

The last permanent section of the museum displays contemporary art. This includes paintings. sculptures graphic art, architectural designs as well as various plastic creations.

Another floor is devoted to an impressive library which contains approximately 15,000 volumes, in both French and Arabic. They include encyclopaedias, periodicals, dictionaries, atlasses and books whose subjects range from philosophy to statistics. There is a slight imbalance in the degree to which certain subject matters are represented in the library, 2,300 volumes are dedicated to the study of different subjects in Morocco alone for example.

The library is supplemented by a computerised documentation centre that contains a vast amount of press information about politics, culture and empirical as well as social sciences in the Arah World and the Middle East.

The institute also has a section in which cassettes and video films Arab World can also be seen in the audio-visual section; and the latest Arabic music can be listened to in a special sound proof room. Two hundred documentary films are available for viewing and 18,000 slides can be seen at the different slide projecters on all seven floors. The gift sbop on the ground recently floor has a rather large collection France.

of books mostly in French, hut also in Arabic, posters and special items such as Yemeni and Egyptian silver jewelry as well as Damscene table clothes and oriental ornaments made by the Maison du Liban.

The institute was sponsored by the French Ministry of Culture, as well as by Saudi, Kuwaiti, Algerian public and private contributions.

As far as artistic and bistorical artifacts are concerned, Morocco, Iraq and North Yemen made the greatest contributions. Jordan, Lebanon and the

Sudan are hardly "represented." A wider range of artifacts from these countries could be put on display without rohhing these countries national museums, a source at the institute told the Jordan Times. "Surely Jordan with Petra, Jerash, Madaha, Shouhak and its countless archaeological sites, its almost endless list of contemporary painters and artists can make a few more contributions to the institute," the source said. Arab residents of Paris believe that the institute has so "maticulously are available for the public. Tele-vision programmes from the preserved, carefully conserved and aesthetically displayed "Middle Eastern artifacts. However, it would be so lonely for Muna Saudi's sculpure to remain the sole representative of Jordan in any category in any section in the

> The writer, a freelance journalist contributing to the Jordan Times recently returned from a visit to

Institute du Monde Arab.

### JTV Channel 2 Preview

Sat. — Aug. 13, 1988

8:30 Mr. Belvedere

9:00 Alfred Hitchcock Presents...

A woman who works in the field of decor thinks of undergoing a cosmetic plastic surgery. She meets a rich man, for whom she furnishes his house and falls in love with him.

9:30 Variety Show

10:20 Feature Film The Migrants

A high caliber portrait of an earth mother who breathes life into her clan even in the face of her own despair. Tennessee Williams's story about the deprivations endured by migratory workers is effectively adapted hy Lanford Wilson. Producer-director Tom Gries pays unfailing attention to detail and Howard deserves special mention as the son who wants

Sun. — Aug. 14, 1988

8:30 Cbeck it Out

9:10 Doc. — Footsteps The Rose Red City

10:20 Magnum 11:10 Fawlty Towers

Mon. — Aug. 15, 1988

8:30 Perfect Strangers

9:10 Enemy at the Door 10:20 Feature Film

Tue. — Aug. 16, 1988

8:30 Clarence

Angel Dusted

Travers sets Clarence to building a chicken run to keep his mind on outdoor pursuits despite the compromising sleeping arrangements.

9:10 Campaign

Sarah's plan has worked; all eyes are now on the Prime Minister. She must now ensure that no or notices his mental disability caused by a slight stroke. Her affair with Nick is over, but she is still having problems at home; Paul and Helen are trying to gain custody of Daniel. as everyone awaits the results of the general election, Gordon and Stephen arrange a press launch for their rival agency, unaware of David's plans to discredit them.

10:20 Hunter 11:10 Perfect SPy

Wed. - Aug. 17, 1988

8:30 Three Up Two Down

9:00 Doc. - Space on Earth Saving Space

Filmed in Britain and France, the programme illustrates various approaches to conservation and finding alternative uses for old buildings.

9:30 Twilight Zone

An old woman tries to restore her youth. She tries to follow certain instructions for such purpose.

10:20 The Fifth Missile

With a powerful cast including Sam Waterston, David Soul, Robert Conrad, Yvette Mimieux and Richard Roundtree, this edge-of-the-seat action miniseries takes you aboard the nucear submarine, USS Montana, for high adventure and suspense. For the crew of the Montana threatens to turn a training mission — "Operation Fire" — into horrifying reality.

Thur. — Aug. 18, 1988

8:30 Throb

9:10 Remington Steele

10:20 Feature Film

Starring: Mark Harmon Rosmary Dunsmore Diana Scarwid

After the promise dramatises the true story of Elmer Jackson (Mark Harmon), who must care for his four sons after the untimely death of his wife during the depression. He is a simple devoted family man and a hard working carpenter. His wife, Florence (Rosemary Dunsmore), refuses medical treatment for religious reasons and dies of comolications arising from tubercu-

Fri. — Aug. 19, 1988

8:30 Guinness Records

9:10 Menace Unseen

Beautiful call-girl Gail Greville (Melissa Simmonds) reveals she was coerced into working for the same menacing organisation that murdered Robert Shriving in the second episode of "Menace Un-

She gives businessman Duncan Free (Ian Ogilvy) some vital information about his dead colleague when he visits her massage parlour. But Duncan soon has troubles of his own as he digs deeper into the hi-tech world of computer intrigue. His probing causes ripples among the secret bosses who ordered Robert's death and a second victim is found murdered.

10:20 Falcon Crest

11:10 Three's Company



The wedding scene from the film After the Promise, Thursday at 10:20

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tnmes over 100 years old, Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jotdan, Jabal Al Qal'a (Citadel Hi0). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5.00 p.m. (Fridays and olficial holidays 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.).

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Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paiotings, ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntaznh, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

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#### SERVICE CLUBS

The Amman Lions Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the every first and furd Wednesday at the Regency Palace Hotel, 7:39 p.m. Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings ev-ery second and lourth Wednesday at the Ammon Hotel. 7:30 p.m. Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings 1:30 p.m.
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De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Hussein, Tel. 661757, Sunday English mass (summer time 6 p.m., winter time 5 p.m.), Terrassunta Church | Roman Catholic|, Jabal Luweibdeh, mass in Italian lan-

Jabal Luweibdeh, mass in Italian language, meet every Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Tel: 622366 Church of the Annunciation (Greek Orthodox) Abdali. Tel. 623541. Angilean Church (Church of the Redeemer) Jabal Amman, Tel. 625383, chaplain's residence tel. 601359. Armenian Catholic Church Ashrafieh, Tel. 771331. Td. 771331 an Orthodox Church Ashrafieh, Tel. 775261. St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox) Ashrafich. Tel. 771751.

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Evangelical Lutheran Church (Church of the Good Shepherd) Amman, Ara-bic Service: Sunday 7 p.m. Rev. N. Smir 811295).

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#### FOR THE TRAVELLER

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### **Arab leaders** congratulate King

AMMAN (Petra) - On the 36th anniversary of his accession to the throne, His Majesty King Hussein Friday continued to receive congratulatory cables. Among the cables arriving Friday were those sent by King Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia, Bahraini Emir Sheikh Isa Ibn Salman Al Khalifah, Bahrain heir apparent Sheikh Hamad Ibn Isa Al Khalifah, Knwaiti heir apparent and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Salem Al Sabbah, Bahrami Prime Minister Sheikh Khalifah Ibn Salman Al Khalifah, member of the UAE supreme council and ruler of Al Fujeirah Sheikh Hamad Ibn Mohammad Al Sharqi and Organisation of Islamic Conference Secretary General Sharifuddin Pirzada.

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#### **NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

ing from topes CONDOLENCES: His Majesty King Hussein delegated Mohammad Hussein Al Shobaki, the governor of Karak, to convey his condolences to the Majali family on the death of Atallah Al Majali, member of the Court of Cessation.

> HINDAWI RETURNS: Deputy Prime Minister and Education Minister Thougan Al Hindawi Friday returned to Amman at the conclusion of a several-day private visit to the United States.

> SOMALI AIDE LEAVES: Somali Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Mohammad Ali Hamed left Amman Friday at the end of a three-day visit during which he delivered a message to His Majesty King Hussein from Somali President Siad Barre. The minister was seen off at the airport hy Minister of State for Cahinet Affairs Fayez Tarawneh and other officials from the Foreign Ministry. The Jordan News Agency, Petra, said the message dealt with means to boost hilateral relations and exchange of views about current Arah issues.

TAIBEH ELECTIONS: Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Yousef Hamdan Al Jaher has appointed the district governor of Taibeh in the Irhid Governorate as chairman of the municipal elections committee in the town. The minister announced that Nov. 19 will he the date for the local elections.

ZARQA MUNICIPALITY PROJECTS: Zarqa Municipality has embarked on building a cultural hall and Al Hashemieh multi-purpose complex at the cost of JD 98,000. A municipality spokesman said that JD 60,000 have been allocated for reorganising the King Talal Street in the heart of Zarqa. These projects he said will he completed in five months.

#### 2 killed, 3 injured in different incidents

AMMAN (J.T.) — A 15-year-old girl from Madaba district was admitted to hospital suffering from wounds sustained when a 16-year-old boy fired a stray hullet from a handgun and a child aged six was admitted to another hospital in Ghor Al Safi for treatment of wounds caused by a stray hullet fired by her sister, according to a report in Al Ra'i Arabic

The paper also reported the death of Michael Habib, a 15year-old Jordanian in a road accident involving two vehicles in

The report said that the acci- scribed as stable.

dent was between an Iraqi fuel tanker truck and a car with Saudi licence plate whose driver was injured in the accident.

The paper reported the death of a four-year-old hoy from Al-Qasr, in the Karak region, after being run over hy a hus near Karak; and also the attempted suicide of a man from Qweismeb who swallowed 37 pills of an unspecified medicine.

The report said the 24-year-old man, identified as A.M.H., was said to have swallowed the pills after family disputes.

The man's condition was de-

#### Jordan, PLO open talks

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Arafat was quoted as saying hy
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hy Arab interior ministers." Ara-Awsat that he was not informed of Jordan's decision before it was announced but "we have always lived upto our responsibilities the Arah League hut that it bad with courage and we never ran been delayed because it needed away from them. proper guarantees from the

Asked whether the PLO had a department which could handle all the financial responsibilities of the occupied territories, Arafat said: "The structure of the PLO can absorb everything as long as there is continued funding."

"I assure my people in the occupied territories that we will carry all our responsibilines and I hope that in my upcoming tour I would convince Arah countries to fulfil their pledges which were agreed upon in the Algiers summit," Arafat said.

Asked whether the idea of a ioint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation to the proposed international conference was scrapped, Arafat said: "This idea has always heen scrapped from our dictionary although Jordan continuously called for it... we have always said we accept a pan-Arah delegation or a joint delegation with Egypt... with Jordan no."

Asked bow he evaluates Arah reactions to Jordan's move. Arafat said: "One has to read com-munique number 23 from the united leadership of the (Palestinian) uprising (in the occupied territories) ... our people in the occupied territories feel that one of the achievements of the uprising is centring Palestinian repre-

sentation in the PLO." "The passport problem is defiantly among the most important of our problems," Arafat said. He added that "Palestinians in Lebanon have a passport problem, also the ones in Syria, Gaza Strip and Egypt. Let all the Palestinians have the same

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"There was a plan to solve this issue. This plan is in the Arab Arab interior ministers," Arafat said. He said that the plan would arrange for a Palestinian passport under the guarantee of

Arah countries." He said he believes that the latest Jordanian measures "would push the procedure forward." He also indicated that the idea of a government-in-exile would he discussed in a meeting of the Palestine National Council

Arafat stressed that the Palestinian uprising was standing strong and would continue to be so. He added that the uprising would quicken moves for holding of an

international peace conference. "As long as the uprising is strong the United States will move towards peace; not for our sake, but because the continuation of the uprising means the continuation of Israel's and political dilemma," Arafat said.

Asked about a denial by the U.S. of a PLO statement that the American government has had contact with him, Arafat said: "I have a letter from (Henry) Kissinger thanking the PLO for letting thousands of Americans out of Beirut in 1976.

King Hussein said Sunday the Jordanian move to sever formal ties with the West Bank was a recognition of the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinians and of the group's desire for an independent state. The King added that Jordan would recognise a Palestinian government-in-exile immediately upon its formation.

Arafat deputy Salah Khalaf was quoted by Dubai's Al Bayan newspaper as praising the Jorda-

### WHAT'S GOING ON

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

- \* Photo exhibition at the University of Jordan. Architectural exhibition at the Jordan National Gallery of Fine
- \* Art exhibition: "Silent Nature" at the University of Jordan.

#### **LECTURES**

\* Lecture on "Child in the Arab Literature" by Rox Ibn Sa'id Al Uzaizi. Abdul Hamid Shoman Foundation at 6:00 p.m.



Her Majesty Queen Noor Thursday inspects facilities and services of a joint medical complex at Disi in

### Queen Noor inaugurates joint medical complex in Disi

AMMAN (Petra) — Her Majesty sections and was briefed on their outlined development projects in Queen Noor Thursday inaugurated a joint medical complex at officials. the town of Disi within the Qweira district of Aqaha and inspected facilities and services offered to the local inhabitants.

The complex serves some 5.000 residents from Disi and hadia areas in southern Jordan, and offers, emergency, mother and child care, laboratory and general medical services, according to Health Ministry officials present at the inauguration ceremony. The Queen toured the different

At the outset of the ceremony Aqaha Region Authority Director Bassam Qaqish delivered a over the years.

speech paying tribute to the Queen's concern over the health and living conditions of citizens. He also praised the Health Ministry for its relentless efforts to provide primary health care services to the Jordanian citizens in urhan, rural and hadia regions. Another speaker was the district governor of Qweira, who

health, agriculture, social services work by the local doctors and and other spheres which, he said, have been promoted by concerned government authorities

The district governor also outlined tourism projects at Wadi Rum, telecommunications networks, road, electricity and water projects being implemented in his

Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh was among the audience attending the opening ceremony.

#### Ramtha seeks to exploit Pilgrims' City for economic, cultural activities

RAMTHA (Petra) — The Department of Education in Ramtha is seeking to exploit a permanent site for pilgrims near Ramtha for the henefit of scouts and student activities and also as an open market ground for merchants.

The Education Department director here, Ahmad Alawneh, said the site could be transformed into a useful ground for organising economic, cultural and social activity benefiting the whole Ramtha region, and also serving the needs of pilgrims at the same

Alawneh was making remarks to the Jordan News Agency, Petra, whose correspondent carried out an extensive survey of the site and interviewed officials of concerned authorities in Ramtha.

age season especially when Muscross into Jordan from Syria on their way to the holy places in Mecca and Medina.

Nearly 70 per cent of the proceeds of the Pilgrims City henefited Ramtha municipality projects, according to municipal offi-

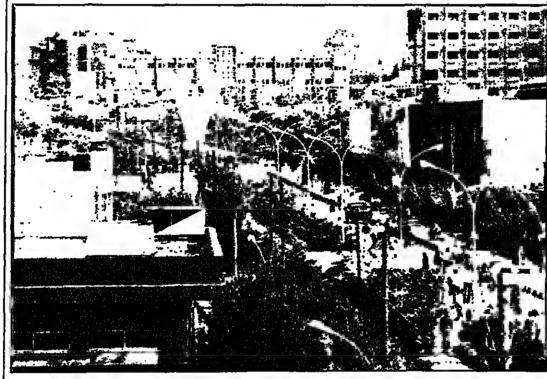
They said that between 50,000 and 60.000 Muslims used to converge on the city during the pilgrimage season, but now an esti-mated 5,000 pilgrims can be ex-pected to visit it during the annual season for a few weeks, thus drastically reducing revenues for the municipality.

Alawneh told the agency that students and scouts, recruited by the Department of Education,

local merchants in an open marlims from Syria, Turkey and Iran ket to be set up on a permanent

> The director of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Department here, Amin Al Khanh, said it is true that the number of pilgrims had diminished due to a change of communications arrangements by Muslim countries. But he contended that the Pilgrims City should be exploited as a cultural centre to train preachers for mosques and to organise Islamic acti-

The president of the local Chamber of Commerce, Khalaf Bashabseh, said that he was willing to enlist the help of local merchants to establish a project at the Pilgrims City that would serve all purposes, and at the The Pilgrims City, set up on a can carry out cultural and re- same time ensure proper profits 48-piece of land, was designed to creational activities on the site, and revenues for the municipality house pilgrims during the pilgrim- part of which can be exploited by and the Awgaf Department.



### Yarmouk begins 1st stage of residential quarters project

IRBID (Petra, J.T.) - Yarmouk struction work. University has embarked on the first stage of a project to provide appropriate residential quarters for its male students and members of the teaching staff.

An announcement made Friday said that at least JD 4.4 million will be spent on constructing living quarters for at least 1,200 students in addition to 40 flats for the teachers and 28 studios for the benefit of post graduate students.

According to the announcement, the project, which is to take at least two years to complete, will be set up on 40,000 square metres and will have adjoining services and a number of external vards.

It said that the Engineering Faculty, in cooperation with the university's Projects Department, prepared the designs for the project and the final plans for con-

Once completed, the residential quarter will accommodate no less than 50 per cent of the overall number of male students, according to the announcement.

The engineering faculty bad earlier supervised the construction of the university's infrastructure and the Engineering Faculty buildings which served as a nucleus for the university, and is now supervising the construction of the Medical Sciences Faculty buildings due to be completed by late 1990, the announcement

ft said that the medical sciences buildings, being built on 80,000 square metres, are expected to cost at a total of JD 14 million and will bouse four branches of the medical profession: medicine, dentistry, pharmacy and nursing, together with their laboratories and other utilities.

Last January, Yarmouk University awarded a contract to a local company for the construction of a residential quarter for female students at the cost of JD 4.4 million. The project, to be completed

by the end of 1989, entails constructing eight buildings and their utilities, together with courts for sports activities, such as vol-leyball, haskethall, tennis and other facilities.

Work on the medical sciences huildings had started in January 1988, according to Yarmouk University officials. The announcement Friday said

that a Yarmouk University annex project at the Princess Basma Hospital in Irbid is now nearing completion.

It said that the JD 140,000 annex will bave sufficient lecture balls for medical students.

### **National Aid Fund adds** 237 needy families on list

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) - The National Aid Fund ners of needy families, enabling (NAF) last month added 237 needy families to a list of those receiving monthly financial assistance, receiving a total off JD 4,672 a month according to which 58 people were offered NAF's Director General Khalil Al Faouri.

leased by the Jordan News Agency, Petra, Friday that NAF teams Faouri. added a total of 1,118 families to the fund's list of needy people over the past seven years, entitling them to monthly assistance which according to Faouri total-led JD 21,492 between January and July of 1988.

The NAF director told Petra that the new additions will be joining, 8,589 needy families already on the list, receiving a total monthly assistance of JD

Faouri said in a statement re- JD 40 a month in accordance with their condition, according to

> NAF allocated a one-time lump sum emergency assistance for 51 needy families totalling JD 2,645, the direcor noted. He said in such emergency

cases, the fund pays sums as hight as JD 100 for a family in need and this is paid only once a year. Faouri said apart from direct financial assistance the NAF has allocations for financing voca-

training raising to 102,130 the total sum spent on such projects by the NAF over the past seven

Faouri noted that up to JD 3,000 in loans could be offered to Over the past seven months the a needy family to start its own means of making a living and only requires that 35 per cent of the loan should be repaid to the NAF over easy no-interest install-

them to earn their own living.

He said last month JD 1,500

were spent on such projects in

He said that the NAF belps needy families with handicapped persons hy providing hearing aids and other essential material.

The NAF, which was established in 1986, draws its resources from the government and dona-80,445. uonal training projects for the nons by individuals, volusione families can receive up to rehabilitation of the hread win- organisation and societies. tions by individuals, voluntary

#### JUST to increase attention on drugs derived from plants, animals

IRBID (Petra) — The Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST) is directing increasing attention to medicinal drugs derived from plants and animals to cope with the current world trend of basing drugs on herhs and natural resources, according to Dr. Suba'i Ibrahim, dean of the university's Faculty of

Ibrahim said plans to carry out this project, will commence as of the coming 1988-1989 academic year, with focus on enabling graduates to specialise in a diffe rent type of pharmaceutical work each year to ensure that they find proper employment. ,

theoretical study on medicinal mostly from Jordan, Ihrahim drugs derived from plants or noted. animals, according to Dr.

the university's Faculty of Agri- plants in the Kingdom. culture to set up a model farm agricultural extension purposes.

To date, none of the JUST

For this project to succeed, the pharmacy faculty graduates is unfaculty has decided to increase employed, and the present 273 credit hours alloted for labora- faculty students will be raised to tory work and for practical and 300 in the coming academic year,

He said his students get practical training before graduation at He said his faculty has begun a Jordanian universities, local new phase of cooperation with pharmactes and pharmaceutical

According to Ihrahim. JUST's within the university's campus on Faculty of Pharmacy is now ina 100 dunum plot to grow herbs volved in scientific work for a used in teaching pharmacy stu-number of Jordanian phar-dents, for scientific research and maceutical industries whose financial support for JUST contributes to the success of its various



Iordanian Veterinarians Association President Ahmad Ajlouni speaks to Jordan News Agency. Petra, correspondent in Amman Friday (Petra

#### Veterinarians association supports

new law

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) - Jordanian Veterinarians Association (JVA) President Ahmad Ailouni has voiced the association's total support for a new Jordanian law to re-organise veterinary medical practice in the Kingdom. Ajlouni said the new law deals

with the production and sale of veterinary medicine and provides for measures to facilitate the work of vets in the private and public sectors in Jordan. The new law makes it impera-

tive for animal farm owners to employ vets to look after the health of their animals thus contributing towards solving the unemployment issue, Ajlouni noted in an interview with the Jordan News Agency, Petra.

Ajlouni said that the JVA council is involved in updating the old law for the licensing and registration of veterinary medi-cine and other material in Jordan. The new law also governs the specifications of laboratories

dealing with veterinary medicine and organising the veterinarians' practice in general. The JVA will produce stickers bearing the price and type of each veterinary medicine to be sold in Jordan from now on, in accord-

regulations, Ajlouni added. He said a special questionnaire will be distributed to Jordanianvets very soon, to sound their views about a number of issues.

ance with Ministry of Agriculture

Last March the Ministry of Agriculture's Centre for the Production of Veterinary Vaccines said that it will start producing vaccines needed by vets for the animals in the second half of 1988.

ft said the centre's annual production would be 170 million doses of which 100 million would he used in the Kingdom and the rest would be marketed in Arab countries.

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#### ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Friday's

Al Ra'i: 36th anniversary

JORDANIANS Thursday celebrated with deep pride, faith and confidence the 36th anniversary of King Hussein's accessioo to the throne. In celebrating the occasion, the Jordanian people felt more closely bound to their leader with unity and great aspirations and hopes for the future. The accession to the throne anniversary marks, in reality, the beginning of struggle for the King and his people against all the challenges and obstacles in the path of Jordan's progress. The King has proved in word and deed his great ability and skill as leader of his nation in guiding his people towards development and towards enhancing the principles of democracy and strengthening Arab culture and Arab heritage. At the same time, the monarch has been successful in bolstering Jordan's ries with all Arab states, and provided further impetus to the Arabs to bolster their solidarity in the face of common enemies. The King offered great sacrifices and exerted efforts at the domestic, pan-Arah and international fronts and he continues to pledge support for the Palestinian people regardless of the relations with the PLO and the recent decisions concerning

#### Al Dustour: Fruitful cooperation

JORDAN looks to the Jordanian-PLO talks in Amman with hope that they will contribute to the enhancement of the Palestinian people's steadfastness in the face of Israeli occupation rule. Jordan, which is concerned with the future and destiny of the Palestinians, and the PLO, which is now embarking on its responsibilities towards their brothers and sisters in the occupied lands, will no dnuht discuss means of helping the oppressed people in their struggle to abort enemy plans in Palestine. The PLO leaders, who had been making statements voicing support for the Jordanian measures concerning the West Bank, are now expected to live up to expectations to come up with plans to bolster the steadfastness of the people of Palestine and shoulder all responsibilities concerning their brothers under Israeli rule. Jordan's decision was irrevocable, and was clearly designed to belp the PLO's endeavours. This decision is bound to force Israel to deal directly with the Palestinians and to face the facts and realities. But, it is boped that the PLO will take proper measures to help in the process of safeguarding Palestinian interests. Let us bope the talks in Amman will pave the way for fruitful

#### Sawt Al Shaab: Improper behaviour

JORDAN welcomes the Lihyan leader's offer to extend financial assistance to the Palestinian people, since, after all, this is a pan-Arah responsibility to assist Arah brothers in need. Indeed, Libya along with other Arab countries is bound to extend help to the Palestinians in implementation of Arab summit resolutions. But, it must be said that Qadhafi should bave thanked King Hussein for Jordan's continued assistance to the Palestinian people throughout the past 20 years of occupation, something done as an expression of a national commitment towards the Arah people under occupation rule. Jordan, which took a decision to sever its legal and administrative ties with the West Bank, is honouring its commitments to the Palestinians and will be paying remuneration to the West Bank employees, in another manifestation of its determination to continue its assistance to the oppressed people of Palesone. But, it is not proper from the Lihyan colonel to attack Jordan, claiming that King Hussein bad done nothing for the Palesonian people. Qadhafi realises too well the sacrifices of the Hashemite family for safeguarding Palestinian rights and defending Palestine soil. Ever since the 1967 occupa-1000 Jordan had served as a haven for the displaced Palestinians and will continue to offer all possible assistance to Palestinian

#### Thursday's

#### Al Ra'i: Boosting steadfastness

JORDAN has more than once affirmed its total commitment to national causes regardless of the recent measures concerning the West Bank which came in response to the desires of the PLO and the Arah countries. Jordan has reiterated that the new measures of severing ties with the West Bank were designed as a means of boosting the steadfastness of the Palestinian people and their legitimate representative. But, Jordan has all along made it clear to the world that it will never shirk its responsibilines towards its brothers in the occupied homeland under a pan-Arah umbrella and in cooperation with the PLO and with all possible means available to it. Having taken this honourable stand, Jordan's conscience is not disturbed at all, and can never be upset by rumours and interpretations which contradict the facts. At the same time. Jordan will never allow evil elements to tamper with the unity of the Jordanian family and can by no means allow any hostile elements to infiltrate the ranks of the Jordanian people. The Jordanian decisions as King Hussein said are irrevocable; and the Kingdom's stand is as firm as ever in serving as a shield to defend the Arabs and to help the Palestinians attain their national

#### Al Dustour: Great achievements

JORDANIANS rejoiced Thursday on the 36th anniversary of King Hussein's accession to the throne, praising the Kingdom's leadership under the standards of the Great Arah Revolt. As we all celebrate the occasion in the rural, urban and badia regions, we remember with pride and with confidence the great achievements realised by this country under the King's wise leadership, something which prompts us to increase our confidence in the Hashemite leadership and corroborates our allegiance to the throne. The Jordanian family realises too well that the great achievements and accomplishments of this country were not only carried out under King Hussein's reign but were all connected with his name and the Hashemite family from whom he inherited the principles and the objectives of the Great Arab Revolt. Over the past 36 years King Hussein was the ideal leader of his country. and one who confronted and overcame the challenges and obstacles that stood in the way of the Kingdom's progress. On the domestic, international and regional fronts. King Hussein spared no effort in secking justice for Arah causes and further prosperity for his people.

Marwan Muasher

## Time for Jordanians to voice their opinion

issue. We cannot ignore the issue in the media, or speak about it in

What happened last week will affect Jordan for a long time. Whether it is called separation or reorganisation of the relationship that exists between Palestinians and Jordanians, the need has never been more apparent for a national dialogue oo the subject. And if we cannot totally explore the opinions of citizens in the West Bank, it is the duty of all Jordanians living here, whether of East Bank, West Bank or whatever other origin, to voice their opinion. We owe it to ourselves to be involved in a process of a national dialogue.

This is of extreme importance to the country. The relationship that exists between Jordanians and Palestinians far exceeds that of a political one. Our social fabric is made out of this relationship, and this fabric cannot be easily, if at all, disintegrated.

I, therefore, want to voice my opinion, not because it affects things, but because I believe the opinion of the average Jordanian

Jordan's decision is understandable io many respects. It comes in response to the PLO's and the Arah states' desire to highlight and enhance the Palestinian identity. The situation, however, especially to the average Jordanian citizeo living in Jordan is oot that simple. For one thing, the average Arah citizen always yearned for Arah unity. Even more particularly, the average Jordanian citizen has lived a successful example of this unity which, though at times tense and uneasy, has largely worked. We, in Jordan, know this fact, whereas Arabs living elsewhere might not. It is thus not easy after 38 years of intermarriage, interculture, interrelationship, to say that everything

IT IS difficult in light of Jordan's decision last week to sever all legal and administrative ties with the West Bank to keep silent about the severe blow. The close relationship between Jordanians and Palestinians applies not only in the East Bank, but between the East Bank and the West Bank as well. As an average Jordanian, therefore, I care very much about this unity regardless of what the PLO or anybody else would bave to say in this matter.

> As an average Jordanian, I do not know all the facts. As an average Jordanian, I never did. But that should not be used as a convenient excuse, as many prominent Jordanians are doing, for not speaking out. The country needs the input of its citizens, and it needs now. Silence about the issue can only mean approval in the present

> I do not suggest that Jordanians approve or disapprove of the recent measures. I merely state that they should make their opinions known. Mine is simple. I think the measures will not belo regain the West Bank, which should be the major objective of all Arabs. I think they bave hurt the cause of Arab unity, which we in Jordan are a living example of. I think they will add to the state of confusion of people living here despite assurances to the contrary. I therefore do

> My opinion is not enough, however. In times like these, one expects people to speak out. Specifically, one expects community leaders in this society to speak out. Yet, hardly any member of the dissolved parliament has said anything. Hardly any elected union president has said anything. Hardly any politician has said anything. Hardly any intellectual, university professor, writer, citizen, has said

> Hopefully, I will be proved wrong, and Jordan's decision will come

to bave a positive influence on the Palestinian problem. Even then my worry which would still remain is our apparent inability to engage in a national dialogue and discuss our problems openly. If prominent citizens, politicians, elected leaders, opt not to voice their opinion, for or against the new measures, and offer their thoughts on a matter that affects Jordan's future to the largest possible extent, then how can I or any other citizen expect them to speak out about less

Now that the decision is taken, the question to ask, again for the average Jordanian, is bow to make the best out of the present situation. Specifically:

I. How to keep national unity among citizens of all origins in the East Bank. How to strengthen that unity, and bow to alleviate all fears to the contrary.

2. How to define the new relationship with the Palestinians in such a manner that would increase the chances of a peaceful settlement instead of the contrary.

3. How to ensure that the dream of Arab unity is not aborted, that it is still achievable, especially for the two Arah peoples of Jordan and Palestine.

I believe that the coming talks between Jordan and the PLO should result in the declaration of a Palestinian state or a government-inexile, with immediate confederation ties with Jordan. This will ensure the continuation of the unity between the two peoples, and would satisfy the Palestinian demands of highlighting the Palestinian identity. I sincerely believe such a step will be taken soon. Let us not go down in history as a nation which reacted to adversity hy splitting, instead of uniting, its ranks.

### Indian identity: Unity in diversity

By Imtiaz Ahmad

AMONG the imperatives of India's claim to independence and national sovereignty was a cultural identity shared by its multitudinous peoples and one that could hold on its own against the professed cultural superiority of the British masters. And thus was born the slogan: Unity in di-

The principal reason for coining this phrase arose from the anti-colonialist character of the nationalist struggle. Cultural unity was seen in the European thought of those days as a necessary condition for nationalism. Elements of cultural diversity, so prominent in Indian life, seemed to give the colonial powers a sense of superiority and justified their right to rule India.

The Indian leaders invented

the phrase "unity in diversity" to press bome the fact that cultural unity as the bedrock of Indian nationalism was not lacking in

One might justifiably argue that acceptance of secularism as a. framework for future development of Indian society and polity was itself the political expression of the diverse and pluralist character of Indian society. More mon citizenship for all Indians was a political expression of India's essential unity.

Considerable heat has been wasted from time to time over wbether Indian society was actually a unity in diversity. Many historians have tried to demonstrate a fundamental unity, arguing that the national culture of India is a bappy hlending of the elements drawn from different cultures and religious traditions. On the other hand, others have tried to prove that India always lacked cultural unity and is characterised by the presence of different nationalities.

If the purpose is to show that India is a unity one can underplay the elements of diversity and emphasise the integrative tendencies. Little useful purpose is likely to be served by debating in the abstract the proposition whether Indian society has historically been a unity or not. It would be infinitely more useful to analyse why Indian society is seen by some as lacking in cultural and

social unity and whether what are often seen as divisive tendencies in Indian public life are indeed such as to result in the country's disintegration.

India's Western critics from the very beginning contended that India was lacking in cultural unity and saw its bewildering social, cultural and religious diversity clear evidence of its eveotual fragmentation. They thought that unless India succeeded in forging unity on a universalistic basis its survival as a united country was bound tn remain fragile.

Over the past several years.

even educated Indians have begun to share some of these misgivings. Citing contemporary Europe (and in so doing they often underplay the divisive tendencies present in contemporary European societies) as a model for India to emulate, they are inclined to suggest that the country will fall apart unless a conscious attempt is made to eliminate India's numerous cultural and social diversities by forging a unified national culture throughout the length and breadth of the

The anxious voice of these critics, foreign or native, is not entirely phoney. After all, the rise in recent times of sectarian movements which seek to promote the interest of one community or another is bound to create and sharpen sensibilities and anxieties about India's future as a united

However, the point that really deserves to be reflected upon is wbether these sectarianisms are likely to take the better of that hasic feature of Indian society which still makes it a unity despite the persistence of cultural diversities within the society. Or, again, whether in suggesting that like the countries of contemporary Europe India should also engage in a conscious process of cultural bomogenisation the critics not really projecting Europe's present stage of development to its past and overlooking the trouhled times through which that part of the world passed in order to reach its contemporary state? Both these questions deserve to be carefully examined before a judgment on India's destiny as a compact nation is finally pro-

It is customary to characterise

Indian society as a plural society. One of the characteristics of a plural society (and in this sense the Western societies are truly pluralist) is that the boundaries of the communities and groups making it up are fixed and permanent. From this point of view, it would seem quite erroneous to consider India as plural society. For, while it is true that Indian society is composed of diverse social communities and groups, their boundaries are neither permanent nor fixed. They vary according to context and situation, making every Indian a member of diverse communities and groups at the same time and yet integrating him or her into a wider

The point can be empirically substantiated. Whites and blacks or even sectarian groups like the Catholics and Protestants in Western societies are fixed and permanent entities and an individual's identity is always defined in terms of the social community to which he or she belongs. The situation in India is qualitatively. different. An individual here is, simultaneously a citizen of the country, a member of a religious or social community, a caste and

national community as an Indian.

Once one begins to look at rather than a plural society one can see why it has seen the emergence of so many sectarian and communal movements as well as why the country has been able to maintain itself as a united nation. Along with the inegalitarian nature of the Indian society also exists its strong commitment to achieve economic development within the framework of democratic polities. If caste, community and language are the existing huilding blocks of society, one will easily see that a politician engaging in democratic politics will inevitably use existing building blocks to organise people and fight for distributive justice. This to a great extent explains the remarkable recurrence of sectional and communal demands which apparently seem to threaten the unity of the country.

At the same time the segmeotary character of society plays its tricks on segmentary politics too. For, no soooer than a group of people at any one level of segmentation are able to organise

themselves as an integrated political group, they become segmented into smaller entities, thereby weakening its united character. Of the two most powerful (and one can even say menacing) sectional movements the country witnessed in recent years, the Assam and Akali Dal movements are prohably the most prominent.

They were both huilt up on ethnic identities and carried the greatest potential for violence and break up of the country. However, even as the leaders of these movements succeeded in creating mass mobilisation on the basis of ethnic self-identification, they began to show signs of internal hreak-up through replication of segmentation lower down. The Akali Dal which claims to be the principal spokesman on the Punjab question is today fragmented into several competing factions and the Sikhs, including the terrorists within that community, are divided among a great many groups, thereby greatly hlunting its divisive edge.

On balance it would seem that India has in recent years seen a remarkable recrudescence and emergence of ethnic and sectional urges. But through the processes working towards unity and integration within India's segmentary social organisation the country bas also been eminently successful in keeping itself together.

Perhaps, the mushrooming of ethnic and sectional groups could be curtailed if the country was simultaneously prepared to tam-per with the democratic processes. But it would have brought about other problems on its trail and may bave posed other even more serious threats to the country's unity. Therefore, the success of India's efforts to forge national unity amidst its bewildering diversity must be judged against the background that it has done so in the context of economic development which prompted sectional urges in the race for distributive justice within a framework of democratic politics. India's performance in this regard is quite impressive, given the short span of its existence as an independent country - UNI feature.

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#### OPEN FORUM Children under occupation

They've been deprived of their human rights If you see what happens you would say Oh! look at those sights Many are killed but most injured They stand in front of the soldiers Like gigantic boulders They throw stones And in exchange the Jews break bones They also use sling shots

And many are taken to jail I mean lots When Arabs are taken to jail Never their strength would fail When the Jews take an Arab land They don't give the real owner

A single speck of sand The Arab's would like freedom But when the Jews think of it it's only seldom The Jews always set fire And they march in full military attire Let's all hope that peace would arrive

And for the good life each one would strive.

Yazann Ben Seif Ramahi

The writer is a 6th grader at the Amman Baccalaureate School,

### Syria looks to nature for more energy

By Issam Hamza

DAMASCUS -- Syria is looking at ways to use the sun, the wind, and even farm manure, to boost its limited energy sources.

The government has set up a new department to examine renewable energy resources.

The department's director Dr. Mohammad Kordah told Reuters that Syria was determined to use its ample sunshine, hrisk hreezes and hiological waste to reduce its dependence on oil and gas.

Oil industry sources say Syria produces about 250,000 barrels per day (hpd) of oil and is making efforts to pump an extra 10,000 hpd hy the end of the year.

"Now widely used, each solar system saves an estimated 500 litres of diesel per year, conserving hard currency."

A philosopher hunts for active life By Paul Ben-Itzak Instead, he met Hal Lipset. I'd been able to tell myself this

SAN FRANCISCO - Bookcases where tracts by Kant and Nietzsche mingle with multiple copies of Dashiell Hammett's The Maltese Falcon" give clues to the two lives of private eye Josiah Thompson.

In an earlier life Thompson trod the heady paths of the philosophers. These days, he traipses in the gritty footsteps of Hammett's fictional San Francisco detective. Sam Spade. In 1976, Thompson was a pro-

fessor at Haverford College in Pennsylvania and author of three well-regarded books, including a hiography of Soren Kierkegaard. He was married with two children, and his biggest risk was nding a motorcycle home after

"My life was packed in cot-Thompson recalled in a recent interview with Reuters in his office overlooking the Golden clouds. Gate Bridge. "Time was moving, hut I wasn't. I had hecome

Thompson moved his family to the sleepy northern California town of Bolinas, intending to hole in a window of the comtake a sahhatical and write a book on Nietzsche.

doyen of San Francisco Bay Area detectives and one-time president of the World Society of Detectives, and took a five-dollar-anhour surveillance joh. That job began a new life for

Thompson, one he chronicles in the newly published "Gumshoe: Reflections in a Private Eye." The book recounts his early

education as a "P.1.", detailing investigations of murders, kidnappings, drug cases and blackmail schemes, as well as the mundane surveillance which takes up a good portion of a real-life detective's time. Although the book is laced

with philosophical reflections -Thompson is more likely to reach for his volume of Merleau-Ponty's "The Phenomenology of Perception" than a .45 — Thompson's first assignment made it clear he would spend more time with bis feet on the earth than with his head in the

Lipset ordered the novice to watch a leader of a union striking against a cable company. Before he found the labour activist. Thompson discovered a hullet

pany's huilding. 'Until I saw (the hullet hole), detective caper was all a lark," Thompson wrote.

"But theo I saw the hullet hole. It was like a sudden glitch, stopmid-sprocket hole. Whoever put that bullet hole in the door. I told and gagged at my orders, and myself, isn't going to care you're whose child I was taking." some kind of college pro-

Although Thompson, who doesn't carry a gun, has yet to be shot at, the succeeding cases taxed his wits to the utmost.

In one case, a homosexual husinessman hired Thompson to going over documents. I get uncover something incriminating something by going out in the about an ex-lover who was threatening him with a palimony suit.

Thompson's crucible was a kidnapping case that took him to A man separated from his wife

had spirited the couple's daughter hack to his native India. A warrant had been issued for his arrest and it was up to Thompson to bring him in.

With the assistance of an intrepid Indian detective, Thompson lured father and daughter to a Bombay hotel with a bogus offer of employment. He caught him, ded him up and returned the daughter to the mother.

"That whole case was my gra-duation exercise," Thompson said. "I never thought that I would be looking into eyes of a guy my age, another father, who ping the Walter Mitty film in had sacrificed himself for his daughter, and who was bound

Thompson said that being a philosopher did not make detection any easier. "The skills of logic and deduc-

tion are not useful at all. Cases aren't puzzles. I don't get anything by sitting in the office and world and stirring things up, and seeing what happens," he said.

In a current case, by investigating witness reports not followed up by police, he is trying to prove a jailed client innocent of murder.

"We're trying to figure Out what was an incoherent police report," he said. "You don't have to be a philosopher to do that. Thompson said his main con-

cern is not "who done it." "My job is not the uninvolved search for objective truth." he said. "I'm trying to get someone out of the cage. My joh is to prove the client didn't do it."

Dr. Kordah, an energy professor at Damascus University, said Syria was ideally situated to exploit the sun and the wind.

The sun sbines for an average 8.3 hours a day, rising to 12 hours daily from June to August. Kordab said the sun's energy

amounted to 5.87 kilowatt-hours (kwh) per square metre - 2,143 kwb a year. This means we have a giant

solar resource which could be used to produce energy at low cost," said Kordab, who introduced the first domestic bot water system to Syria in 1978.

Now widely used, each solar system saves an estimated 500 litres of diesel per year, conserving hard currency.

Syria used 7.1 million tonnes of petroleum products in 1986. Diesel made up 41 per cent of this and fuel oil 36 per cent, the rest heing benzine, kerosene and butane gas.

"Consumption of diesel tops

the list of petroleum products used," Kordab said. "Resorting to renewable resources is one of the most important ways of cut-

ong this consumption. He said Damascus University had designed solar energy systems for the industry ministry. .. Syrians now make all solar water heaters locally.

An experimental solar central heading system, which he designed for his own home, had cut his use of electricity and diesel by more than 60 per cent over three

The equipment used was costly hut Kordah said he was working on designing a cheaper system for wider use.

Homes and husinesses used 35

per cent of the 7,000 million kwh of electricity Syria generated in 1986. Industry used 40 per cent Other studies would look at ways to use solar power for crop drying, heating greenhouses, desalination and generating electric-

ity. Kordah said.

He said wind was another little-used energy source in which Syria was rich. A minimum wind speed of three metres per second (mps) is needed for practical use. Meteorologists say winds of four mps blow across Syria at least half the year. In central

He said wind was another little-

regions around the city of Homs, they average six mps for 40 pet cent of the year. The government encourages local production of wind energy equipment which many farmers

already use to pump water for

drinking or irrigation. Kordah A study he made for the United Nations revealed that gas produced biologically was a promisiog energy source for

The study showed 126 million cubic metres of gas could be produced annually, 40 per cent of it from animal waste and 30 per cent each from poultry and from

He said such energy, to replace hutane, was easily produced. Syria used 265,000 tonnes of butane in 1986.

domestic waste.

Each bousehold keeping animals or poultry could make fuel for lights, hot water and cooking using a simple bio-gas digester in which microbes produce gas by

### Next U.S. president must deal with PLO - Neumann

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — The next U.S. president must deal with the Palestine Liberatioo Organisation (PLO) in the pursuit of Middle East peace and conditions exist for this to occur. a former U.S. ambassador and Reagan administration adviser said Thursday.

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Robert Neumaon, who directed the State Department transition team when President Reagan took office in 1981, sharply criticised current U.S. policy and warned that "if we allow, as the present administration has dooe, events to drift, the situation is certain to get worse."

"Whether the United States likes it or not, there is no substitute for the PLO," he said. He and other scholars at the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) released several new analyses in series

designed to "infuse a strategic perspective" into the election debate on the U.S. international They called for vigorous lead-

ership by Reagan's successor and drastic shifts in many aspects of U.S. foreign policy.
One report by CSIS analysts

Debra van Opsial and Andrew Goldberg concluded U.S. security was now affected far more by regional turbulence and unconventional threats than by Soviet

22 remain missing after

CAIRO (AP) - Frogmen Friday fished out the body of a seventh

Italian tourist from the Nile, two days after the cruiser Nubia sank

in southern Egypt during a storm, the Middle East News Agency

Nine Italian nationals and 13 Egyptians who were on the boat are

MENA quoted police General Ibrahim Bassiouny, head of

security of Aswan, as saying that the rescue teams were having difficulty searching the upside-down, almost completely submerged

vessel for the missing persons because of strong water currents in

He said they would attempt to drag the vessel away from the

The Nubia capsized and sunk during a sudden storm Wednesday

It was carrying 51 Italians and an Egyptian crew of 45. Thirty-five

Italians and 27 Egyptians were rescued, suffering from minor wounds and shock. Search groups have found the bodies of seven

Italians and five Egyptians, leaving nine Italians and 13 Egyptians missing, and presumed dead by police.

BAHRAIN (AP) — The U.S. sponsored ceasefire would hold.

U.S. navy drops plan to

replace Vincennes in Gulf

afternoon near Edfu. Edfu is half way between the famous tourist resorts of Laxor, 720 kilometres, and Aswan, 960 kilometres south

Nile boat mishap

still missing and presumed dead,

currents and try to refloat it.

navy bas decided against dis-

patching another of its billion-

dollar "Aegis" missile cruisers to

the Gulf region to replace the

USS Vincennes, military sources

The sources, speaking on con-

dition they not be identified, said

the scheduled assignment of the

USS Mobile Bay, a sister ship of

the Vincenness, had been "post-

to depart Friday from Mayport.

Florida, to join the navy's joint

task force Middle East, which

includes 27 warships in the Gulf

Although the sources declined

to be specific, they indicated the

decision was related to an ex-

pected cutback in the size of the

U.S. force after a ceasefire be-

The sources said the Vincen-

nes, which mistakenly shot down

an Iranian civilian jetliner July 3,

killing all 290 aboard, is now

expected to remain on duty in the

region until early September. by

tween Iraq and Iran goes into

The Mobile Bay was scheduled

poned until further nonice.

and the Arabian Sea.

effect Aug. 20.

said Friday.

in the future, the United States will have decreasing control over world eveous and must "resign itself with good grace to less collective cooperation with its allies in Third World regions."

Neumann said it was up to the oext U.S. president to firmly convince Arab leaders they must send "politically credible signals" to Israel that they accept the Zionist state's right to exist and do not seek its "destructioo."

To get the process moving, Washington could return to a loophole in its policy that was firmly closed by the Reagan administration, he said. This would allow U.S. officials to bave contacts with the PLO, while not participating in actual negotia-

"To return to the original meaning would constitute a sizeable concession to the PLO and there would be much protest in Israel." said Neumann, a former ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

But many Israelis have recognised the need to deal with the PLO and "this recognition has also gained ground among U.S. Jews. Politically, it is no longer impossible," he said.

Murphy ends visit

U.S. envoy Richard Murphy ended a Middle East swing Thursday saying his mission to

One officer, also asking not to

be identified, said an end to the

eight-year-old cooflict would

"sharply reduce any need" for

the navy to seed another of its

most sophisticated and controver-

sial anti-aircraft defence warships

The Vincennes had been ex-

pected to leave for its home port

in San Diego, California in the

next two weeks, in keeping with a

policy under which ships serve

about three months on duty with

the joint task force Middle East.

"flexible" and refused to say wby

the Vincennes, which arrived in

the region May 22, was being

kept in the area longer than

usual. U.S. Defeoce Secretary Frank

C. Carlucci reiterated this week

that the present force of 27

warships, including 18 in the

Gulf, would be sharply cut if the

ceasefire remained in effect for a

downing of the Iranair A-300

Airbus by the Vincennes is ex-

An official report on the July 3

The sources said that practice is

to the region.

the region had been constructive. But Murphy's planned meeting io Egypt with Palestinian leaders was called off because two members of the delegation had close links to the PLO.

Murphy, the assistant secretary of state responsible for Middle East affairs, told reporters at Cairo airport before flying to Paris: "My trip was very constructive.'

But he did not elaborate on the positive elements of his mission to Lebanon, Syria, Israel, Jordan and Egypt

He said his discussions with Egyptian leaders included regional issues and the situation in the Gulf following an Iran-Iraq ceasefire accord.

Diplomatic sources said Murphy was also likely to stop in London on his way back to the United States. Murphy said he would submit

his wide-ranging talks with regional leaders.
The U.S. State Department said Wednesday it regretted Mur-

a report to President Reagan on

phy's meeting with prominent Palestinians fell through. Washington, which has promised Israel it would not negotiate with the PLO, was willing for its officials to meet four Palestinians who had previously held talks with Secretary of State George Shultz, a leading Palesminan said.

#### Egypt hopes for return of **PoWs** from Iran

BAHRAIN (R) - Egypt has asked the United Nations and Iraq to negotiate the release of several thousand Egypuans held by Iran as prisoners of war, Arab

diplomats said Friday.
"This is a vital issue (for Egypt) which we always bring up," a senior Egyptian official in the region told Reuters.

He said Cairo had officially asked Baghdad, U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and the International Committee of Red Cross to raise the issue at peace talks betweeo Iraq and

The talks on ending the eightyear war are due to start in Geneva Aug. 25, five days after a ceasefire takes effect.

"The United Nations ceasefire on exchanging prisoners of war and these men are prisoners just like the Iraqis," the Egypnan official said.

Egypt says Iran holds a few thousand Egyptian prisoners, but no official figure is available. In Cairo, the semi-official Al

Ahram newspaper quoted an Iranian official at the United Nations as saying Tehran had told Perez de Cuellar that Tehran was willing to facilitate the handover of the Egyptians.

Egypt has no diplomatic ties with Iran, which it has accused of financing anti-government ex-tremist groups. It has also said that Tehran has not responded to Cairo's requests for information

on the Egyptian prisoners.

About 1.5 million Egyptians work in Iraq and several thousand of them volunteered to fight on Baghdad's side in the war against Iran.

Egyptian Defence Minister Abdul Halim Abu Ghazala bas repeatedly said that all Egyptians fighting for Iraq were volunteers and some had taken Iraqi

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#### Iran, Iraq reportedly enter deal over Kurds

DIYARBAKIR, Turkey (R) -Iran and Iraq bave each agreed to halt military support for Kurdish rebels fighting the other's government, according to Kurdish sources in Turkey.

Kurdisb guerrillas who took refuge in Turkey during heavy fighting in northern Iraq this week said Tehran bad cut supplies or arms and ammunicon since early this montb.

Iran still offered hospital faciliues and allowed the guerrillas to cross the border but only unarmed, members of a 15-strong group said at the Turkish village of Derecik.

Iraqi Kurdisb fighters, led by Massoud Barzani, controlled a broad swathe of northern Iraq during the eight-year war between Iran and Iraq. The rebels, backed by Iran, tied down large numbers of Iraqi troops. Other Kurdish sources said

Iran, which accepted a U.N. peace resolution last month, had cut support for Barzani in return backing for Iranian Kurdish re-

Iraq had also pledged to end million Kurds.

Iranian Mujahedeen-e-Khalq opposition group, the sources

They said Barzani's nephew, Nechir Barzani, was seeking urgent talks with the Turkisb authorities about Kurdish rights of passage through Turkey, and refuge in the country.

But Foreign Ministry spokesman Inal Batu said Turkey had not been contacted by either Barzani or Jalal Talabani, another Iragi Kurdish rebel leader. Battles bave raged since July 30

in parts of northern Iraq and some 400 Kurds have taken refuge in Turkey at various times since then, Turkish security sources said.

A variety of Kurdish tribes, totalling between 10 and 14 million people, occupy a mountainous area of oearly 300,000 square kilometres covering parts of Iran, Iraq, Syria and Turkey.

Turkish security forces Wednesday killed three guerrillas for Iraq's promise to drop its from the banned Kurdish Workers Party (PKK), a group fighting for autonomy for Turkey's eight

### W. Sahara war may end soon

By Stephen Hughes

RABAT — The war in the Western Sahara between Morocco and Algerian-backed Polisario guerrillas could be over by Sept. 1 if both sides agree to accept the new peace proposals handed them Thursday by United Nations Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

The secretary-geoeral asked ting to fewer than 5,000 casualties for a respoose by that date to the proposals which involve a ceasefire and a referendum to determine the future of the former Spanish colooy.

The conflict has lasted more tban 12 years but it has always been a small-scale war with few independent witnesses, foreign military attaches say.

"It has been more a war of words than a shooting war," said a veteran Western diplomat. He said Polisario attacks were invariably timed to coincide with political events related to the conflict.

'It's been a war we've heard a lot about but have never actually seen," he added, noting that the only independent witnesses have been journalists escorted by guer-rillas to watch shells being lobbed over the Moroccan lines.

Polisario war communiques. published in Algeria where the guerrillas have their main bases, add up to over 50,000 casualties among Morocco's royal armed forces since 1976,

Polisario has also reported taking about 2,000 Moroccan prisoners but no exact count has ever been published,

Hundreds of Polisario communiques show there were apparently more soldiers killed than wounded. But one military analyst said in "any conventional war the ratio is usually five wounded for one killed."

In contrast Moroccan army headquarters has issued only a few dozen communiques, admit-

as many guerrillas. Polisario has never revealed its casualties nor given any figures for the strength of its "People's National Liberation Army which has vowed to wage "a war of attrition" to bring Morocco to its knees.

and claiming to have knocked out

Polisario guerrillas bave boasted they will liberate the Sahara, just as the Algerians defeated France and the Vietnamese evicted the United States, with the war cry: "All the fatherland or martyrdom."

"The flaw in that is that neither France nor the United States had any business in those countries. whereas we are fighting in our own country," a Moroccan field officer told Reuters.

Estimates of Polisario strength range from 3.500 to 7.000 men equipped with Soviet-made tanks, personnel carriers and anti-aircraft missiles, plus British and Japanese four-wheel drive vehicles.

This small force has pinned down about 80,000 Moroccan troops equipped with French and American weapons, including advanced aircraft, deployed along a 1,500-kilometre line of defences snaking across the desert close to the Algerian and Mauritanian borders.

The two-metre high ridge of sand and rock studded with electronic sensors, built in stages since 1981, acts as a trip wire to give the defenders forewarning of prised by his suggestions.

guerrilla attacks.

Before the wall was built, Mojocco suffered its heaviest losses when guerrillas concentrated attacks on isolated outposts and

viped out the garrisons. The Polisario's greatest victory was to force Mauritania to withdraw from the southern part of the territory ceded to it by an accord signed in Madrid in

November 1975. Twice the guerrillas attacked the Mauritanian capital Nouakchott whose small and poorlyequipped army was unable to police the country's vast desert. Mauritania's share of the desert

was annexed by Rabat. Completion of the wall in April 1987 gave Morocco control of more than two-thirds of the disputed territory, including all the

towns, phosphate mines and the entire Atlantic coast. The last major Morocean-Polisario battles were in November 1987 just before a United Nations mission arrived to find out how a

AP adds: U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar said Thursday he hopes an independence referendum can be held for

referendum could be held to set-

tle the area's tuture.

the territory this year. The U.N. chief urged Morocco and the Polisario movement to respond to his detailed proposal by Sept. 1.

Perez de Cuellar commented shortly after presenting his plans for a ceasefire and subsequent referendum to representatives of Morocco and Polisario, as well as to the Organisatison of African

Unity, Algeria and Mauritania. Details of the proposals are being kept confidential. But Perez de Cuellar said the proposals were the result of extensive discussions among the parties, so "they won't he extremely sur-

#### Despite problems, Egypt-Israel peace holds Jerusalem, controlled by the

By John Rogers

TEL AVIV — The absence this year of Egypt's usual National Day party in Tel Aviv showed all is not well between Israel and its only Arab diplomatic partner, but both say their peace pact is

Egypuan Ambassador Moham-1952 overthrow of the monarchy to show solidarity with the eightmonth-old Palestinian uprising against Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza.

In a unique relationship like the one established between Egypt and Israel in 1979, the non-existence of a party draws

"It enhances the position of many Israelis who do not believe in the peace with Egypt and who hold that a lasting peace with an Arab country and with the Palestinians is not feasible in this generation," the Jerusalem Post newspaper wrote. Many Israelis feel ties are stag-

nant, that Egypt is a reluctant partner and that President Hosni Mubarak's government feels compelled to balance its ties with Israel against more powerful interests in the Arab and Islamic

For Mubarak, having relations with Israel causes perpetual prob-lems in ties with Arab states and sparks protests from Egyptiao lef-tists and hardlines. Two Israeli officials have been shot dead in

coalition government on Middle East peace because deals struck mad Bassiouni avoided celebrat- with one partner are blocked by er Shimon Peres, currently foreigo minister, but say he cannot

finds it hard to deal with Israel's

make his views prevail in coalition politics with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's hardline Likud bloc. Ties are aggravated by a sim-

mering dispute over the Israeli-held Sinai border beach of Taba, due to be resolved by arbitration Sept. 28 if a compromise is not negotiated before then. Few incidents are reported

along the long Sinai desert bor-der, but Israel is worried about periodic Palestinian guerrilla crossings into Israel. Officials say there have been six incursions in the past year.

In recent interviews with Reuters, two men who know the Egypt-Israel relationship in-

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timately say things are not perfect

siount said relations were good, and added: "Egyptian-Israeli re- and the Egyptian media." lations are like a thermometer."

peace process, to achieve comprehensive [Arab-Israeli] peace

with Israel was intended as a step to a comprehensive Arab-Israeli settlemeot, and achieving this would improve the atmosphere and strengthen nes.

November. Mosbe Sasson who served seven

Cairo, assesses the relationship this way: "It's a good, stable strategic peace with day-to-day problems. He said these included the way

that "most people (in Israel) \_don't feel that they have peace . Al Sultan mooastery in occupied \_term role for peace, he said.

sort of Aswan Dam between me The Palestinian uprising bas

sparked a wave of sympathy in Egypt.
"I see the emotional impact of and solve the Palestinian problem, the mercury rises. If the believe that it will be kept in the

peace process for the Palestinian right parameters," Sasson com-The envoys agreed ill-feeling over the revolt would keep down

tourism in both directions. Israel complains that far fewer Egyptian tourists visit Israel than

the number of Israelis, 72,000 last year, who flock to Sinai and Cairo on package tours.

#### Mutual visits

Sasson said 250,000 Israelis visited Egypt over the past seven years but only 15,000 to 17,000 Egyptians went to Israel. Bassiouni says Egyptians don't

go to Israel because it is more expensive, they bave plenty of tourist sites at home and, this year, because of the Palesinian

church from going to Israel because of a dispute over the deir

During his 1981-88 Cairo Ethiopian church since 1970 but claimed by the Egyptians. Bassiouni said the Egyptian government placed no curbs on

Egyptians visiting Israel, But Sasson said that, in practice, "administrative restrictions" discouraged Egyptians from coming to Despite such problems, there are strong links.

Israel gets over half its oil from

Egypt — two million tonnes a year bought direct under the terms of the peace treaty, and another two million tonnes purchased on the spot market. Israeli experts are helping Egypt on desert reclamation and

solar energy projects. The two countries are encouraged to stay at peace by U.S. economic and military aid totalling \$5.3 billion a year — \$3 billion to Israel and \$2.3 billion to

Egypt,
Mubarak often cites Israel's
1982 return of Sinai under the 1979 treaty as an example of the

Sasson believes this year's restoration of relations with Egypt by most Arab states does not

Rather, because it was linked with both Israel and the Arahs. Egypt could play a greater long-

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# suspect in Greek ship attack

Swedish security police bave raided the home of an Arab alleged to have planned the deadly attack last month on a Greek cruise ship, the Aftonbladet newspaper reported Thursday.

Police spokesman Ingvar Eriksson confirmed the raid and said investigators also found four Kalashnykov assault rifles among a cache of weapons hidden in a forest a few kilometres from the home of the Arab.

Police believe the Arab was the operations chief of the Abu Nidal group, the paper said. Eriksson said he was believed to be one of nine people killed in the July II assault on the "City of Poros."

Eriksson identified the man as Samir Mohammad Kadar and said he was born in Lebanon in 1948.

Kadar, who described himself as an international businessman, lived in a Stockholm suburb since 1986 under the name of his Finnish-born wife. The name is barred from publication under Swedish press laws, he said.

Aftonbladet said Kadar was the mastermind behind the attack

on the cruise ship, in which more tban 80 also were wounded. Police raided his apartment re-portedly after a flight ticket to Scandinavia was found in a Greek botel room.

Copenhagen, Denmark to Athens, under the name of Hejab Abdalla, the paper said. Eriksson declined to discuss evidence found in the apartment,

The newspaper said some documents linked Kadar to the hijacking of a Pan Am airliner to Karachi in 1986 and other operatioos claimed by the Abu Nidal organisation. Sixteen people were killed in a rescue operation

died in 1985. But the Swedisb police spokes-man said they suspected Kadar

had been living in Stockholm

since 1986, slipping into the coun-

Greek police have issued an international appeal for help in tracking two other suspects in long to the Abu Nidal group.

Nidal members were suspected to be living in Sweden. Kadar's wife was completely

as accusing Kadar of being re-sponsible for planning the 1985 attack on Rome's international airport when gunmen killed 13 people in the terminal building. He is also believed to have been involved in organising a bomb attack on an Italian restaurant three months earlier, when 40 people were injured, Aftonbladet quoted police as saying.

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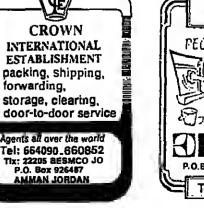
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#### pected to be released later this which time it should be clear citizenship. whether the United Nations-Swedish police raid home of

"prudent" period.

STOCKHOLM (Agencies) -Kadar left Stockholm at the beginning of June and flew via

saying police were still investigating the seized documents.

> by Pakistani authorities. Last month a spokesman for Abu Nidal's Fatah Revolutionary Council (FRC) denied responsibility for the attack on the City of Poros and added that Kadar had

try at a time wheo police were fully occupied with trying to solve the murder of Prime Minister Olof Palme.

connection with the City of Poros attack - Zayed Hussein Ahmad Ali, 36, and Reyad Samir Al Ahmad, 40, both believed to be-Aftonbladet quoted police sources as saying several Abu

ignorant of her husband's double life, Aftotibladet quoted the sources as saying. The newspaper quoted police

Police declined comment

#### but could be worse. In his Tel Aviv embassy, Bas- assignment, he said, "there was a Cairo in the past three years. "If there is progress in the Officials in Cairo say Egypt

They prefer Labour Party lead-

#### Things could be 'worse'

### **News Analysis**

Bassiouni said Egypt's peace

Peace efforts, centring on a U.S. ininanve, are stalled until after U.S. and Israeli elections in

years as Israeli ambassador in

Israel was portrayed in Egypt's state-owned media, which meant

uprising. In addition, Egyptian Coptic Christians are banned by their

benefits of peace. mean Cairo will drop Israel.

### Tunisia plans for major currency liberalisation

TUNIS (R) — Tunisia plans to scrap foreign exchange controls and turn the dinar into a fullyconvertible currency by the mid-1990s, central bank governor Ismail Khelil has said.

Khelil, in an interview with Reuters, spelled out plans for the second stage of a far-reaching reform programme which will leave Tunisia with one of the most liberal economies in the Arab World.

"We are really in the process of changing the whole money market right now and we intend to create 'a foreign exchange market. This is our next step," he

Khelil said the government of President Zine Al Abidine 1hn Ali aimed to liberalise the economy by 1991 and would then focus on the currency.

A number of steps have been taken to prepare domestic banks for the challenge, he said.

Uoder receot reforms many Tunisians can now hold hard currency accounts, there have been changes in domestic interest rates to increase inter-bank competition, and the central bank has been overhauled and giveo more

We want banks to be familiar dealing with foreign exchange. We are creating little by little a foreign exchange market within the country. This is a step bedinar a convertible currency," he

Setting out a step-by-step approach to reform. Khelil has maintained the abolition of curreocy restrictions was essential to attract foreign investors.

"It is my conviction that this (restrictions) has been one of the more serious handicaps for attracting capital," he said.

"On the psychological level when you say to an investor this is a free country and you can bring in whatever you want and then take it out again, it really makes a big difference," he noted.

But he caurioned it was important to liberalise the economy, including the privatisation of at least 100 large state enterprises, before focusing on the curreocy

"The government has started privatisation, the pricing policy will have been liberalised, imports will have been mostly liberalised ... after all that, then the liberalisation of the currency will be that much easier," he said.

Khelil said the new measures would form the ceotre-piece of a new five-year plan starting in 1992, adding:

"We use the current plan to more loans.

#### restructure the economy, to improve efficiency and to liberalise and after that we start dealing

with the currency." Khelil had no doubts Tunisia's economy which grew by 5.8 per cent in 1987 — well ahead of predictions and the highest growth in North Africa -would be strong enough to meet the challenge of overseas compen-

"From the first results, we believe we are really oo the good patb," he said.

He said the country's foreign reserves, which stood at \$565 million on Aug. 1, were at the highest level for some 30 years as a result of increases in exports, tourism receipts and remittances from workers abroad.

More significantly, he said investment in export-oriented industry had shown a big increase. Businessmen were now confident after the uncertainty that marked the final years io power of former resident Habib Bourguiba.

"There is a very good political and economic climate and the business climate is very pleased to see that situation," Khelil said.

Khelil said Tuoisia, which turned to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank in 1986 after dwindling oil reserves left it with a severe cash shortage, had met all IMF targets and there were no plans for any

### Major U.S. banks raise prime lending rate to 10%

NEW YORK (AP) — The hike in the prime lending rate charged by major U.S. banks resulted from a drive to fight inflation, but poses potential problems for Third World oations with massive foreign debts.

The banks boosted their base lending rates by a half-percentage point to 10 per cent Thursday - a more than three-year high - in reaction to the Federal Reserve's (Fed's) effort to push all interest rates higher to curb inflation.

The prime rate increase, the second in a month, puts the key lending rate in double digits for the first time since June 1985.

The prime rate increase is expected to have an unwelcome effect eventually on the beavily indebted countries of the Third World, which collectively owe more than \$1 trillion to foreign creditors.

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Japan, Birtain and Germany, Roberto Tosso, financial representative of the Ceotral Bank of Chile in New York, said in a telephone interview that the impact would not be immediate on

the borrowing countries. Most of them have their interest rates fixed for six months in advance, Tosso said.

Chile, which owes \$10.5 billion to foreign banks, "bad its interest rates fixed early this year for 12 months ahead, into the first quar-ter of 1989," be said, "and they are tied to the London LIBOR rate, which will eventually be affected by the rise in the U.S. prime rate if the hike remains in force for some months."

Economists bad expected the latest boost after the Fed signalled its desire to tighten credit Tuesday by raising its discount rate to 6.5 per cent from six per The interest on many of these cent, citing inflationary pressloans is tied to the U.S. prime ures. The discount rate is the rate or to similar rates in other interest the Fed charges on loans

crude oil prices in the first half of

1988 cut into results from oil

giants Royal Dutch/Shell Group

and British Petroleum, the com-

Anglo-Dutch Royal Dutch/

Shell said second quarter historic

net income — calculated by

valuing oil stocks on the basis of

what they cost to acquire -

panies said Thursday.

Economists said the subsequent boost in the prime reflected the rising of borrowing costs faced by the banks. Rates banks pay on products such as certificates of deposits or money market accounts bave been forced up, although not at the same pace as bank loans.

Ecocomists say that in the United States the rise in the prime will affect small- to medium-sized businesses and consumers more so than large corporations, which borrow more cheaply in the open

Because the prime is used to calculate a wide range of fixedand adjustable-rate loans, the increase is likely to pinch the pocketbooks of American consumers wbo already have seen borrowing costs rise in recent months.

"It will slow the economy, but it won't stop it in its tracks," said Robert Brusca, chief financial economist for the investment firm private sectors to cooperate for Nikko Securities Co. International. "That's a bealthy thing right

dropped to £633 million (\$1.07

billioo) from £656 million (\$1.11

than iodustry analysts had fore-

reported second quarter historic cost net profits of £357 million (\$606 million) against £317 million (\$538 million) in the same

But half year profits fell to £620 million (\$1.05 billion) against £775 million (\$1.31 billion) in the first half of 1987.

Shell said the outlook for oil

The new results put Shell's

half-year historic cost net income

at £1.46 billion (\$2.48 billion) against £1.35 billion (\$2.29 bil-

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and gas prices for the rest of 1988

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on events in the Gulf.

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billion). This was sbarply lower \$1.44 billion.

Depressed oil prices

hit Shell, B.P. results

period last year.

### Customs revenue increases

AMMAN (J.T.) — The customs authorities in Jordan collected JD 82,873,588 in duty on imported products in the first half of 1988. registering JD 5 million increase over the same period of 1987, according to Al Ra'i Arabic newspaper.

The paper said that the Customs Department considered this increase as an indication of a new upsurge in the country's economic activity.

#### Government to issue new policies on investments

AMMAN (J.T.) — The governmeot will shortly announce a set of resolutions and decisions designed to ensure better investment facilities and to offer more incentives for investors in economic, tourism, agricultural and industrial sectors, Industry and Trade Minister Hamdi Tabbaa announced Thursday.

He said that at the same time, the government will do its best to find new markets for national products especially through agreements concluded with other Arab countries.

The end of the Gulf war will no doubt open for Jordan the opportunity of selling products to the Iraqi market and therefore concerted efforts on the part of all sectors is now required if this process is to achieve success, the minister said at a reception held at the Amman Chamber of In-

The Ministry of Industry and Trade will remain committed to all declared measures intended to simplify routine and cut down on formalities in trade deals, and will examine existing laws and regulations and previous instructions with a view to updating them whenever this is beneficial for the national interest, Tabbaa noted.

Tabbaa, who is former president of the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce (FJCC) said that the federation will continue to contribute towards stimulating the national economy and the development

Addressing the meeting also was FJCC President Mohammad the development of the national

second quarter results of between

£650 and £850 million (\$1.1 and

Oil and gas exploration and production earnings were particu-

larly bard hit by the drop in crude

prices and lower gas sales. These

earnings were virtually halved in the second quarter to £194 mil-lioo (\$329 million) from £385 million (\$654 million) in second

Sterling's strength against the dollar also adversely affected re-

But these shortfalls were bol-

Earnings on a basis of current replacement cost of stocks, which

stered by improved profits from

refining, marketing and chemic-

excludes inventory holding gains

and losses, rose five per cent to

sults, the company said

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#### Indian pilots flock to join foreign airlines

BOMBAY (R) - More than a said. quarter of the pilots working for India's flag carriers, Air India and fodian Airlines, bave applied for better-paid jobs with three foreign airlines, the Indian pilots' guild said Thursday.

"Giveo a chance, everyooe would like to quit," said guild vice-president Sbankar Roy in an

Out of 1,300 pilots employed by the two Indian airlines, 350 have applied for advertised jobs with Gulf Air, Singapore Airlines and Emirates Airlines, he said. Roy said there was a big shor-

tage of senior pilots and Gulf Air. for instance, was offering up to 95,000 rupees (\$6,800) a month to pilots. That compares with the 6,000

rupees (\$430) a month, after taxes but before special allowances, of Air lodia pilots, Roy more than 200.

A spokesman for Indian Airlines, the country's main domestic carrier, said in New Delhi that he knew some pilots bad applied for jobs elsewhere but could not

confirm the number. There was no real concern about the applications and flights would oot be affected even if some of the pilots found jobs with

otber airlines. Roy said his guild had information that the Indian government had asked the Siogapore authorities not to consider Indian pilots for any jobs.

"It is very unethical," he said. The Indian Airlines spokesman said he was oot aware of any sucb government request.

Roy said the three foreign airlines bad advertised jobs during the past year. Gulf Air needed 150 pilots and Singapore Airlines

#### **Gulf International Bank** announces profit increase

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Gulf International Bank (GIB) wholly and equally owned by seven Gulf governments. announced Thursday that it achieved an after-tax profit of \$25.4 million for the first six months of this year.

G1B, an international merchant and commercial bank, said in a press statement the profit presented an increase of 14.3 per cent over the unaudited interim results for the comparable 1987

Abdullah Saif, chairman of the bank's board of directors said that the half-year results reflect an improvement in earnings "through sustained penetration of trade finance markets and a strong performance from treasury operations."

After a deduction for loan loss provisions, interest and fees on oans amounted to \$179.5 million, an 11.8 per cent increase on the prior period, while net interest, fees, and other operating income rose by 7.5 per cent to \$52.6 million, the statement said.

Strict budgetary controls con-tributed to a reduction io total expenses of just over one per cent compared to the previous period,

The statement was issued after the results were reviewed by the bank's board of directors meeting at the GIB headquarters in this Gulf island state.

GIB has branches in London. New York and Singapore, with representative offices in Tokyo and Frankfurt. It was established in 1975 with authorised capital of \$265 million by the governments of Bahrain, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Oman and the United Arab Emirates.

Until June 30 this year, the total assets were \$8.8 billion and shareholders' equity amounted to \$594 million. The bank's capital resources

will be strengthened further by a capital increase of \$111.4 million to be issued, subscribed and paidin before the end of the year, the statement added.

GIB is the secod largest offshore banking unit in Bahrain, the central Gulf state that developed into a major offshore banking centre in the oil price beyday of the mid-1970s. The Gulf region sits on about a third of the world's proven oil reserves.

#### **Arab Banking Corporation** reports \$68m net profit

ABU DHABI (OPECNA) - loss provisions amounted \$527 The Arab Banking Corporation million compared with a total of (ABC) has announced an operat- \$215 million at the same time last ing profit of \$104 million for the year first half of 1988.

The corporation said that after allowing for general and specific loan loss provisions of \$28 million, and minority interests of \$8 million, the net pre-tax profit of the corporation was \$68 million as at the end of June.

According to the statement, total specific and general loan

The group's total assets rose from \$15.48 million in June 1987 to \$17.28 million in June 1988 an increase of 12 per cent. Total assets at the end of 1987 were \$17.54 million

The corporation continues to provide against debts for the less developed countries according to its own internal guidelines, an official statement said.

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#### LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

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#### **WORLD STOCK MARKETS**

SYDNEY - The share market closed higher for the first time in two days but profit-taking ahead of the weekend and nervousness about Wall Street's performance dragged prices from their highs. The All Ordinaries index was up 6.4 at 1.623.2.

TOKYO — Share prices closed slightly higher but failed to bold on to morning peaks as investors took a wait-and-see attitude. The Nikkei index rose 48.53 to 27,834.51.

HONG KONG - Stocks closed steady on light bargain bunting by overseas fund managers with trading oversbadowed by rumours of an imminent increase in local interest rates. The Hang Seng index was up 5.65 to 2,600.93. SINGAPORE - Prices closed slightly lower due to lack of

follow-through buying support and profit-taking. The Straits Times Industrial index fell 3.22 to 1.132.10. BOMBAY — Share prices dropped further on nervous selling when trading resumed after a day's disruption. Operators feared

the exchange authorities would take drastic steps to curb speculation. Tata Steel fell 6.25 rupees to 807.5. FRANKFURT — Shares firmed slightly in quiet business in what

was seen as a technical adjustment before the weekend rather than fundamental strength. The Dax index rose 5.42 to 1,173.56. ZURICH - After two days of declines the market closed little changed, as Wall Street firmed Thursday night. Towards the close the All Share Swiss index was up 1.9 at 890.4.

PARIS - Prices closed slightly up but below the day's highs in moderate trading ahead of the long assumption any weekend. LONDON - Shares were mostly firm in late-afternoon business, with a modest spell of buying for the new account helping to support prices. At 1442 GMT the FTSE 100 share index was up seven at 1,842.2.

NEW YORK - Stocks steadied at lower levels in mid-morning. after falling in line with the bond market on a higher than expected "core inflation" rate in the U.S. producer price index report. The Dow was down 11 at 2,028.

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#### **SPORTS IN BRIEF**

#### Chelsea appeal against fine dismissed

LONDON (R) — Chelsea lost their appeal Friday against a \$75,000 (\$130,000) fine — the heaviest penalty evet levied on a club hy the English Football Association (F.A.). The fine was imposed by the F.A. disciplinary commission following crowd trouble at the London club's ground last May when Chelsea lost a play-off match against Middlesbrough and as a result were relegated from the first division. The F.A. board of appeal also dismissed the club's appeal against an order to close the standing areas at their Stamford Bridge ground for the first six games of the new season. During those six games access to the seated areas will be by ticket only — but none will be on sale on match days. No tickets will be available to visiting clubs. The disciplinary commission had found Chelsea guilty of failing to take adequate precautions to control fans at the match at which 102 people were arrested and 25 policemen injured. A hrief F.A. statement on Friday said: "We have dismissed Chelsea's appeal and the findings of the original inquiry will stand."

#### Glasgow giants aim to dominate season

LONDON (R) — Glasgow's two big spenders, Cellic and Rangers, will resume their battle fot supremacy when one of Scotland's most competitive seasons for more than 10 years gets under way at the weekend. The arch-rivals have kept the Scottish League title firmly in Glaswegian hands for the last three seasons. With the country's top crowds and main spending power, they are the key contenders as Scottish soccer continues a boom period with attendances on the increase and more foreign players attracted to a new-look 10-team Premier League. Scottish crowds rose by 15 per cent last season to 4.6 million for league and league cup matches. A further 611,000 watched Scottish cup ties and 241,000 attended European ries. As more and more English players take the winding road north to sansfy their craving for European competition, the premier division looks at its most competitive since it was created when the league was restructured

#### Aouita set to run 800 metres at Budapest

athletics world this year when he announced plans to run hoth the 800 and I,500 metres at the Seoul Olympics, is set to run the 800 at Friday's Budapest Grand Prix. Organisers said Aouita's Italian manager, Enrico Dionisi, had promised the Moroccan would run on Friday. They added Aouita was expected to arrive here from Switzerland late on Thursday, Aouita, Olympic and world

BUDAPEST (R) - Moroccan Said Aouita, who startled the

out the small slam.

East had the ace.

the king of clubs.

South, with second-round control

in both minors, elected to gamble

West led his top spade and declar-

or made short shrift of the hand. He

drew trumps and cashed out the

high spades to see if they would split. When they did not, the normal

play with nothing to guide him

would be to cash the ace-king of di-

amonds, in case the queen dropped

and, when it did not, 10 lead a club

toward the king in the hope that

That line would have failed as the

cards lay, but declarer was fore-

warned that it would by the Unusual

No Trump overcall, Instead, after

cashing the high spades declarer

ruffed the fourth spade in hand.

Next came the acc of diamonds and

ing everyone to three cards. Dummy

held a diamond and two clubs, and

declarer king-jack of diamonds and

Poor West was a goner. If he

came down to a singleton queen of

diamonds and ace-queen of clubs, declarer would simply fell the dia-

mond ledy and claim his jack of dia-monds as the fulfilling trick. So West bared his ace of clubs and kept

a diamond guard. That enabled de-clarer to throw West in with a club

to force a diamond return from the

By Harris

queen into the king-jack tenace.

BY CHARLES GOREN ANO OMAR SHARIF

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After the interference, North bid a difficult hand well. By first cuebidding in the pointed suits before supporting hearts, he made it clear his concern was the club suit, so

THE BETTER HALF

champion over 5,000 metres and the only man to run under 13 minntes for the distance, has long made it clear that he wanted a major title at the 1,500, a distance for which he also holds the world record. But few expected him to aim for an Olympic gold at the 800 metres as well and Friday's race will give some indication of his prospects in what looks at the moment likely to be one of the weaker fields at the Olympics.

#### Sjoberg pulls out of national meet

STOCKHOLM (R) — World high jump champion and record holder Patrik Sjoberg has pulled out of the Swedish National Athletics Championships Saturday because of a nagging foot injury, his trainer said Friday. Viljo Nousiainen dismissed rumours that Sjoberg, who set the world mark of 2.42 metres hete in June last year, was pulling out of the championships at Eskilstuna because he was tired of intense media interest in his injury and his appearance money. "Patrik still feels the injury in his foot and that is the reason he is not coming. That is the one and only reason," said Nousiainen, who is also Sjoberg's stepfather. Despite the injury, Sjoberg came second behind James Lott of the United States with a jump of 2.25 during a high-altitude meeting at the Italian alpine resort of Sestriere Thursday, Sjoberg, already assured of a place on Sweden's Olympic team and representing his country's best chance of a gold medal in Seoul, told reporters at a news conference this week that he was fed up with media reports of his foot injury and speculatinn over how much he earns through jumping. He confirmed then that his training was still on course for peak fitness

#### New Jersey declares Starling defeat void

NEW YORK (R) - Sports officials Thursday declared void a July welterweight title fight between Marlon Starling of the United States and Colombian Tomas Molinares hecause of a late punch, Larry Hazzard, the commissioner of New Jersey's Athletic Control Board, siad videotapes showed that the punch that knocked out champion Starling in the sixth round was thrown after the hell. Hazzard said it was up to the World Boxing Association (WBA) to decide whether to reinstate Starling as champion pending a rematch. The commissioner said, however, that he found no fault with referee Joe Cortez, who ruled that the overhand right had been launched when the bell sounded in the July 29 bout. "He was in charge of the hout and made a ruling based upon his observation and judgment," Hazzard said.

#### Kiwis acquire catamaran for training

SAN DIEGO (R) - The New Zealand America's Cup challenge have acquired a catamaran for use in training against their 40-metre monohulled yacht in preparation for the best-of-three race series set to begin on Sept. 7. The 10-metre formula 500 about half the size of Stars and Stripes 18-metre boat - will be sailed hy three or four Kiwi crewmen along with a couple of American multihull sailors, said New Zealand spokesman Graeme Colman. Colman said training races against the New Trialhorse should begin hy this weekend.

#### Tyson to fight Bruno again

LONDON (AP) — The on-off boxing clash between world heavyweight champion Mike Tyson and Britain's Frank Bruno is back on again, a co-ownet of Wemhley stadium said Thursday. Jarvis Astair, the deputy chairman of Wembley stadium -Britain's foremost sporting venue and the proposed location of the fight - said the contest would now take place on Saturday, Oct. S. The fight had originally been scheduled to take place inside the famous soccer stadium on Sept. 3 but was cancelled after Tyson found himself locked into a legal wrangle with his estranged manager. The 26-year-old British fighter has been the World Boxing Council's (WBC) No. 1 challenger since last October and the World Boxing Association (WBA) made him a leading conlender earlier this year.

#### E. Germany sends low-level teams only

EAST BERLIN (R) — East Germany is sending only small athletics teams to two remaining Grand Prix meetings and will stay away from at least one other and probably the final in West Berlin, sports sources said Thursday. The East German Athlenes Federation said four men and two women would compete Friday in Budapest and two runners in Brussels on Aug. 19. No athletes would go to Zurich. According to the sources, East Germany is unlikely to participate in Cologne and at the Grand Prix final on Aug. 26 because top athletes are too busy preparing for the Olympics. Even javelin world record holder Petra Felke, who heads the Grand Prix points table for her discipline, would almost certainly miss the West Berlin event, they said. They said those appearing at the remaining Grand Prix meetings were not in the Olympic team. Among them is Sylvia Madetzky, one of several top women discus throwers.

# for third foreigner

Laudrup

asked to

player - possibly Dynamo Kiev's Alexander Zavarov. The World Cup striker said Juventus officials had told him he was "the one to be sacrificed" in

Laudrup's replacement will join Welsh international Ian Rush, who has been retained by the club, and the recently-signed Portuguese midfielder Rui Barros as Juventus's permitted trio of

tus's pre-season friendly against third division Alessandria on Wednesday after hearing he would not be needed by the club

The Danish striker, who joined the Turin team in 1985, told jouroalists by telephone later he thought he would he staying for the new season up until two days

ago.
"General manager Pietro Giuliano called me on Tuesday evening and told me he was sorry to inform me that Juventus had decided to change its foreign lineup and I was the one to be sacrificed.

My only regret is that Juventus could have acted more clearly in this affair ... I had been told I was staying," Laudrup said.

European Championship final.

#### **Fenech** retains **WBC** title

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - Jeff Fenech of Australia knocked down Tyrone Downes four times and stopped him in the fifth round Friday night to retain his World Boxing Council (WBC) featherweight title at the national tennis centre.

Unbeaten Fenech, 24, decked Downes twice in the fifth with Steve Crosson stopped the contest 1 minute and seven seconds into the round.

Fenech was cut over the left eye in the first round, which Downes dominated with his left

Downes, 30, a native of Barbados now fighting out of Trindad, also hit the canvas twice in the fourth round as Fenech took control with his mauling, brawling

Fenech scored repeatedly with rights to the head and lefts to the

**Peanuts** 

# make way

ALESSANDRIA, Italy (R) -Italian first division club Juventus have 10ld Danish international Michael Laudrup to pack his bags and make way for another foreign

a shake-up of their foreign players next season.

foreign players.

Laudrup pulled out of Juven-

during the coming season.

"I must say I didn't expect this.

Juventus declined to name the new foreigner they hoped to sign but the club has been conducting lengthy negotiations with Soviet soccer anthorities over Dynamo Kiev playmaker Zavarov, a member of the team that reached the

### UEFA Cup holders Bayer Lever-

first division, But former Dutch national

Already Michels has instilled a

"Everything is possible in foot-

vears. Bremen and Leverkusen are

teams with three points from two games so far, and the winners of Saturday's match should go top of

### **Lendl storms into Canadian Open tennis quarterfinals**

TORONTO (R) — Ivan Lendl got a speeding ticket on his way to the tournament and then hurried through his match against American Jay Berger at the Canadian Open Tennis Championships

The top-seeded Lendl took a little time getting into gear bul then he raced to a 6-3, 6-0 win quarters. that put him into quarterfinals. Lendi was joined in the quar-

nors, John McEnroe, Kevin Curren and Tim Mayotte and the Australian trio of Pat Cash, Mark Woodforde and John Frawley. The top-ranked Czechoslova-

kian lost nine of the first 10 points in the hattle of baseliners before overpowering Berger.
"I had some trouble getting my

timing down in the first set, hut in the second I felt the halls carried better and I was hitting closer to the line," said Lendl, who lost unly seven points in the second

Lendl had a little timing trouble getting to the tournament as he was his with a speeding ticket for driving about 30 kph over the

Lendl, who was travelling 79 kph in a 50-kph zone, was fined 48.75 Canadian dollars (about

"I never go 50," said Lendl, who gave the ticket to tournament

director John Beddington. John McEnroe, the eighth seed, beat fellow-American Derrick Rostagno 6-3, 6-2 but not before lashing out twice at offi-

"Once the officials make a mistake, it always pays to make your point," said McEnroe. "But when I went and got a towel I got warning. That threw me off."

Frawley and Woodforde scored

upset victories to join fifth- ment Thursday. seeded compatriot Cash in the

Frawley eliminated seventh seed Andres Gomez of Ecuador ters by Americans Jimmy Con-6-1, 1-6, 7-5. Gomez drew a point penalty late in the match when he smashed his racket in half after aled second-seeded Pam Shrivet disputing a call.

That helped Frawley hold serve to go up 5-4. Gomez then double faulted twice and hit a ball wide to give Frawley the break for the

Woodforde, who ousied number twn seed Stefan Edberg Wednesday, eliminated another Swede, 15th seed Peter Lundgren, 6-3, 6-0. Cash, the 1987 Wimhledon champion, beat American Sammy Giammalya 6-

Fourth-seeded Jimmy Connors, at 35, the elder statesman on the circuit, bear Swiss 13th seed Jakob Hlasek, 6-1, 6-4.

Hlasek led 4-3 in the second set with Connors down two hreak points when rain forced them off court for an hour. When play resumed, Connors fired an ace and a backhand winner to hold serve. He then hroke Hlasek hefore serving out the match.

"At my age, I just try to do whatever it takes to get the match over with. What am I? A freak show now at 36 (on his next hirthday on Sept. 2). 1 think people appreciate that I'm still playing tennis."

> Evert, Sabatini advance easily

In Los Angeles, top-seeded Chris Evert and third seed Gabriela Sahatini coasted into the quarterfinals in straight sets, while 15-year-old Amy Frazier continued her upset siteak at the Los Angeles Women's tourna-

Frazier, an amateur, upended fellnw-American Gretchen Magers, the 12th seed, 6-4, 7-5 tn advance to the quarterfinals against fifth-seeded compatriot Zina Garrison. Frazier eliminin the second round.

Evert routed 13th-seeded Halle Cioffi nf the U.S. 6-2, 6-0, while Sabatini used accutate passing shnts to full the net play of Britain's Sara Gumer on her way

tn a 6-2, 6-4 victory. Evert, third in the world, repeatedly forced errors from the 19-year-old Cioffi with her steady groundstrukes in the first set and allowed the teenager just four points in the entire second set.

Playing in her first tournament since Wimbledon and since her July 30 wedding to Andy Mill, Evert said that she still trains hard and has goals she has not attained.

"Today, I played about as well as I could have expected." Evert said. "I am still practising an hour a day and doing aerohic exer-cises. I also still have goals to achieve that I don't want to share

with a million people."

Sahatini, fifth in the world, raced to a 3-0 lead against Gomer and never trailed in the match. Gomer managed to level the second set at 4-4, hut Sabatini held her serve in the ninth game and hroke Gomer at love with three hackhand returns in the final game.

### Leverkusen meets Bremen today

By Reuters

the first division.

kusen meet league champions Werder Bremen away on Saturday in a match that could transform the early-season picture at the top of West German soccer's

coach Rinus Michels, who took charge of Leverkusen just one month ago, would have preferred such a tie to come a little later in his campaign to transform the leam into a more enterprising outfit.

noticeably more open style of side. But the Dutch "general" is elear that there is still a lot more work to do before his squad ripens fully.

ball, but in principle the team is not ready for a showdown, Michels said, noting that Bremen were 'a homogeneous squad which has grown up over several

among six of the Bundesliga's 18

Leaders VFB Stuttgart — the only team still with a 100 per cent record - would have played second-placed Bayern Munich. But the match was postponed as Bayern are competing in a fourteam tournament in London on er taking on Hambutg. Saturday and Sunday.

Cologne and Bochum, two more teams on three points, also have no match. But the two sides still without a point — Eintracht Frankfurt and Hanover — seek to remedy that against the two Hamburg teams, Frankfurt travelling to St. Pauli and Hanov-

#### Kingdom steals limelight from Johnson and Lewis

SESTRIERE, Italy (AP) — below 13 seconds. Potential Olympic gold medallists showed an impressive form at defending Olympic champion, Europe's highest track and field clocked an impressive 12.97, meet Thursday, clocking some of the best performances of the

The 2,050-metre (6,725-foot) altitude of this Italian alpine resort and winds close to the allowed limit of 2 metres per second failed to produce world records but undountedly gave an extra kick to the sprinters, who achieved the best results.

Roger Kingdom stole the limelight from Ben Johnson and Carl Lewis, dueling in separate races here, hy becoming the second man to run the 110-metre hurdles

The 25-year-old American, the only four hundredths of a second off the 19SI world mark of fellow-American Renaldo Nehemiah. On his trails, Colin Jackson of

cord of 13.11 seconds. Lewis, who bids for four gold medals in Seoul to equal his 1984 record in Los Angeles, ran the fastest 200 metres this year in 19.82 seconds although going

Britain set a new European re-

slightly off line on the bend. The American sprinter said he felt that his form was approaching the peak "and this makes me confident for Seoul."

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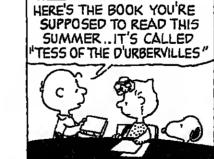
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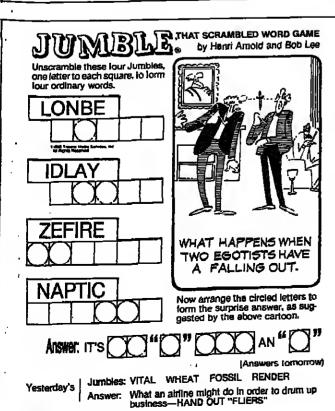


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# Sein Lwin quits amid revolt

BANGKOK (Agencies) - Burmese leader Sein Lwin has resigned as chairman of the Socialist ruling party and state president after five straight days of nationwide violent demonstrations demanding his removal, the state radio said Friday.

Sein Lwin, but the radio said a special meeting of both the central committee of the Bu-ma Socialist Programme Party (BSPP) and the People's Assembly has been called.

The hroadcast said the 92nd meeting of the party's central committee accepted Sein Lwin's resignation as the party chairman, hy far the most powerful political position in the country. It said the council of state accepted his resignation as president of the republic and from membership of the People's Assembly.

The broadcast gave no reason for the resignation.

No successor was named for the BSPP from veteran leader Ne Win July 26.

Official reports say 98 people have died since Sunday but diplomats in Rangoon estimate that between 500 to 1,500 may have been killed in the bloody riots that swept Rangoon and all major towns in the country of 38 million

Of the death toll a diplomat said: "There were perhaps 300 killed in Rangoon and 300 in

Mandalay and nearby Sagaing."
Official reports from Sagaing Thursday said 31 people were killed when a crowd of 5,000 people attacked a police station and police npened fire.

The latest killings reported by The 64-year old former brigadier took over chairmanship of Port, the second biggest city in

Arakan state on the Indian Ocean, where it said three members of the security forces were beaten to death.

Diplomats contacted from Bangkok said there were increasing, though unconfirmed, reports of soldiers defecting and joining the demonstrations, but they said in the tumult of the conflict such reports should be treated with

They also reported widespread rumours that ethnic Karen guerrillas, one of a dozen rebel groups fighting in eastern Burma, had moved into Pa-An, capital Karen

This would be the first sign that the guerrillas were preparing to a precise casualty toll because exploit the unrest, hitting hack soldiers and protesters were fight-after retreating before army cam-paigns in recent years.

soldiers and protesters were fight-ing a "battle for the bodies."

"When someone is killed (the

paigns in recent years.

The radio denied reports based on accounts by Thai officials that the southernmost town of Kowsong had been taken over by demonstrators.

"There were some disturb-

ances in Kowsong yesterday calm due to systematic control by the authorities concerned," the

Thai officials at Ranong, a 20minute ferry ride from the Burmese town across the Pakchan River, said demonstrators bad seized the police station, the customs office, the town hall and the post office.

A Western diplomat Thursday said demonstrators roamed about the town freely, with the army taking no action.

A Western diplomat said Thursday it was difficult to obtain

protesters) try to get it, so they can display the bodies, and the government tries to get it to cremate it" to erase any evidence of deaths, he said, on condition of not being identified.

Armed Forces Commander (Thursday) but the town remains San Maung declared over the radio Thursday that the army would continue stern measures. He said trouble-makers had infiltrated protest marches, and "the people are now facing anarchy of the violence-makers.

But Prime Minister Tun Tin had also said Thursday that "the government will seriously consider legitimate requests of the people... in accordance with the

He said that as promised, the government would urgently carry out economic reforms to boost living conditions, such as privatising some sectors of the economy and permitting private foreign

The radio said water supplies to Rangoon were cut for four hours Thursday after a transformer at Yegu pumping station near the Kabaaye Pagoda in the northern suburbs was put out of action by "destructive elements."

Oscar Arias Sanchez

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) - President Oscar Arias of Costa Rica said he had spoken "with my heart in my hand" in asking Cuban President Fidel Castro for help in bringing peace to Central

Arias, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize last year for his efforts to balt Central America's violence, met Castro for 11/2 bours Wednesday.

They were among seven Lain American leaders in Quito for the inauguration of President Rodrigo Borja, a moderate leftist who pledged a non-aligned foreign

Arias Thursday said he urged Castro to use his influence with leaders to persuade them to keep able to meet again with him soon.

WASHINGTON (R) — The

House of Representatives has

voted to impose sweeping new

sanctions on South Africa in an

action that will probably stand as

a symbol of disapproval of white

minority rule - at least while

the Reagan presidency lasts. But the bill, which would cut

off virtually all trade between the

two countries and American in-

vestment in South Africa, faces

an uncertain fate in the Senate

and will certainly be vetoed if it

lands on President Reagan's

The vote of 244-132 Thursday

night was sbort of the two-thirds

majority required to override a

Administration supporters said

the sanctions could jeopardise

new movements towards regional

peace in which South Africa bas

begun a troop withdrawal from

pursued a policy of "constructive

ca, Angola and its Cuban ally.

sure was needed to force changes

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - Re-

The action by the Democrat- the bill.

to avoid SDI fight

The Reagan administration has ment in South Africa.

engagement" with the Pretoria Botha hinted broadly Friday that

government and has mediated prospects for Namibian inde-

negotiations between South Afri- pendence could be torpedoed if

in Pretoria's policies and avert an statement issued after the U.S.

The bill's backers said the mea- er anti-apartheid sanctions.

Republican committee tries

presidential veto.

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eventual bloodbath.

**U.S. House votes for** 

anti-Pretoria sanctions

**Arias** seeks Cuban help for peace

their promises for more freedom in Nicaragua, including releasing political prisoners and lifting censorship of the news media.

Arias said at a news conference that to achieve peace in Central America, "the support and effort of many people are needed, and Fidel Castro is one of them."

He said he told Castro that Castro "had a very important role to play if we want to achieve peace in the region.

"I have spoken to him with my heart in my hand because 1 beheve that there are 27 million buman beings in Central America who desire and deserve to live in peace," Arias said.

In Latin America, the phrase "heart in band" means to speak very sincerely, to be very candid, regardless of possible consequ-

Arias said "nothing concrete" was achieved in the meeting. He said he regretted not having more time to talk with the leader of Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista communist Cuba and hoped to be

controlled House was taken as

Republicans prepared for their

national convention in New

Orleans where they are to nomin-

ate Vice President George Bush

as their presidential candidate

next week, but Democrats denied

the timing was deliberate. South Africa is a big issue on

the Democratic political agenda

largely because black clergyman

Jesse Jackson was outspoken on

it during his failed campaign for

the Democratic Party's nomina-

Referting to Democratic nominee Michael Dukakis, senior

Republican William Broomfield

of Michigan told the House:

foreign policy initiative."

'This is the Dukakis-Jackson

The bill would greatly streng-

then sanctions imposed by Con-

gress in 1986 over a Reagan veto.

Those sanctions restricted trade

and barred new American invest-

South African President P.W.

the United States imposed furth-

The warning was contained in a

House of Representatives passed

tion for president.

#### are very detailed." **Grave of baby** dinosaurs found

Prostitution ring has

SAN JOSE, California (R) - A

raid on a California prostitution

ring uncovered a computerised

listing of clients containing more

than 40,000 names, police said Wednesday. The illicit business,

which was spread across six coun-

operating since the early 1970s.

investigators said. They said the

women charged clients between

\$200 and \$275 an hour. "The

figures are staggering," said pro-securor Paul Siedel. "They kept

all the husiness information in

computer files and the records

ties and employed about 70 prostitutes at a time, had been

large clientele

PEKING (AP) — Scientists from China and Canada said Thursday they had unearthed a mass grave of baby dinosaurs apparently huried during a Gobi desert sand torm 75 million years ago. Dr. 🙀 Philip Currie, of the Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology in Alberta, Canada, said the joint team excavated the skulls of five sheep-sized baby pinacosaurus, a type of Ankylosaur or armoured dinosaur, in the wastelands of southern inner Mongolia. He said tbey found a sixth baby on the last day of their summer-long expedition, "and it appears likely there are a number of other specimens." One adult, which in life was "about the size of an extremely heavy bull," was also discovered nearby.

#### McCartney: book on Lennon trash

LONDON (AP) — Ex-Beatle Paul McCartney was quoted Thursday as saying a new book on the late John Lennon, which alleges that Lennon had a homosexual affair with the group's manager, Brian Epstein. is "a piece of trash." The London newspaper Daily Mail Tuesday began daily serialisation of ex-cerpts from The Lives of John Lennon" by Albert Goldman. The book, which is to be released Aug. 2 in Britain, is also being. serialised in the United States. The paper quoted McCartney as saying: "With the exception of his close relatives, I knew John longer than anyone. I would have hought that once in all that time there would have been a sugges-

#### San Marino issues anti-AIDS stamps

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SAN MARINO (AP) - In what it describes as the first initiative of its kind in the world, this tiny republic is issuing four postage stamps dedicated to the fight against AIDS. The government said Thursday the stamps, due to come out in the next few days. were prepared in conjunction with an international congress on AIDS to be held in San Marino in October. "The set carries a warning but at the same time hope." a government statement said. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome is a disease in which a virus attacks the hody's immune system, leaving victims susceptible to a wide variety of infections

#### Politician swims 28.4 kilometres

and cancers.

ORANJESTAD. Aruba (AP) — Thousands of jubilant Arubans greeted a member of parliament who swam 28.4 kilometres from Venezuela to Aruha braving strong currents to raise money for a swimming pool in his bometown. Government spokesman Mike Eman said it was the first time anyone had swum the Caribbean Sea between the two countries. Roly Bisslik, 38, a lawmaker for the ruling Aruban People's Party and a swimming instructor. made the crossing Sunday in 10 hours and 28 minutes. On reaching shore. Bisslik kissed the ground and merrymakers showered him with champagne and sang the national anthem.

#### Murderer worked as probation officer

LOS ANGELES (R) - A con-

victed murderet attested 14 years after escaping from prison lived a model life and worked as a charity organiser and probation offic er during his freedom, police said Tuesday. "He was married and raising a family of three children. He was living a model life. Detective John Penevich said of 37-yeat-old Arthur Bembury. who was apprehended Monday. Bembury was sentenced in 1971. to life imprisonment in Massachusetts for shooting the mother of a girl he was dating. Petievich said. He was allowed a week-end leave from prison three years later and never went back.

## wrinkle in glasnost

caught in a paper chase brought on hy Mikhail S. Gorbachev's policy of openness. They can't get their fill of glasnost-inspired writing for the same reason they can't get enough toilet paper: a paper

It means some people could miss vigorous debates in the

offices empty-handed after trying to apply for their favourite newspaper and magazine subscriptions, and newspapers have been

paid." Muscovite N. Sbulgin wrote in a letter published Aug. 6 in the cultural daily Sovietskaya

and other operations.

er in March 1985 and encouraged more open discussion of the country's problems and history, citizens bave been snapping up periodicals like Ogonyok and Moscow News that are at the forefront of the new openness, or

glasnost. Such periodicals quickly sell out at newsstands, and subscrip-

tions are hard to come by. Last year, Soviets rejoiced when it was announced that applications for 1989 subscriptions for the state-run press would be accepted thronghout 1988. In previous years, orders were taken

only after Aug. 1.
But the jubilation was prema-

When Jan. 1 rolled around, Soviets were told they could sign up only for newspapers and had to wait until August for magazine subscriptions. In July, the Ministry of Communications issued directive number 315, which in effect, limited the number of 1989

subscriptions to their 1988 level. Further restrictions apply to 41 publications, including such popular sellers as Ogonyok, Soviet sport and Literaturnaya Gazeta.

There's no limit on the mote conventional - some Soviets would say boring — publications like Communist, Party Life and

Political Education.

getting on the job."
Thornburgh likely will be able Bush: U.S. should pay U.N. dues

investigated by independent counsel James McKay, who con-

#### U.S. Senate approves Thornburgh

WASHINGTON (AP) Richard L. Thornburgh says he's eager to begin work as the United States' 76th attorney general, but is not counting on keeping the job if George Bush becomes the next

American president. "I look on this as a six-month assignment," Thornhurgh said Thursday after the Senate unanimously confirmed him as successor to the controversial Edwin Meese III for the nation's top law

enforcement job. The former Republican governor of Pennsylvania said in a television interview that he'll "let the future take care of itself" even if Vice President Bush is

Thornhurgh, 56, already has told Senators that he's loyalist to President Ronald Reagan, declaring last week, "his agenda is my agenda."

Last week, Thomburgh said. that fighting the "scourge of narcotics" would be his top priority, but he also promised a vigorous battle against organised crime, public corruption and white-collar crime.

Thursday, he said "every day" of his potentially short tenure will be important, because the process of law enforcement is a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day a week, vear-round proposition and I'm anxious and enthusiastic about

to concentrate solely on department programmes, unlike Meese, who spent considerable time defending his personal conduct.

Meese's ethical behaviour was cluded that the attorney general "probably" broke the law. Meese consistently denied that.

SEOUL (R) — South Korea agreed Friday to march with North Korean athletes at the

Olympic opening ceremony if

Pyongyang reverses its decision to boycott the games.

The International Olympic

Committee (10C) proposed

Thursday, in another appeal to

games, that delegations from the

North Korea to take part in the

two Koreas march side by side in

a symbolic gesture.

#### **Buenos Aires expels** South African consul

BUENOS AIRES (Agencies) — schools and health services. The foreign ministry ordered the expulsion of South African consul Dirk De Wet and three of bis pulsions, describing Argentina's countrymen for violating visa move as "surprising and unconditions.

The three men - Germt Olivier, Ismail Richards and Bennet Ndlazi — applied for visas to visit Argentina for talks with the consul, according to the government news agency TELAM. Instead, they participated in a public seminar organised by the consulate, the news agency said Thursday.

not disclosed Argentina in 1986 lowered the level of its diplomatic telations with South Africa from embassy status to a consulate because of

The topic of the seminar was

By law and custom, apartheid establishes a racially segregated society in which South Africa's 26 million blacks bave no vote in national affairs. The 5 million whites control the economy and maintain separate districts, ign policy."

South Africa's foreign affairs department condemned the ex-

The expulsions were "a selfserving action, clearly aimed at ohtaining approval in certain Third World countries," the department said Friday.

"There is a South African lobby in Argentina seeking a renewal of ties," he said. The source, who asked not to be identified, said: "Now we'll

have to wait and see what South Africa's reaction is." Pretoria could take similar action to Argentina's and expel the Argentine consul in Snuth Africa.

be added A foreign ministry spokesman said the seminar broached political topics and was considered by the government "an intolerable intromission in Argentina's fore-

### Aspirin can save heart attack victims

study on coronary care. Oxford university cardiologist a heart attack would cut by half ever conducted. the number of patients who die

would carry their own national

"We wholeheartedly welcome

the IOC proposal and hope it will be realised," said Kim Chong-

Ha, president of South Korea's

North Korea has said it will

National Olympic Committee.

boycott the games because the 10C has failed to meet its de-

It has rejected as insufficient a

compromise offer that it bost all

mand to co-host them.

LONDON (R) - Combined use Streptokinase is widely used in of aspirin and a clot-dissolving hospitals to treat beart attacks drug can save the lives of tens of and, in the United States, costs thousands of heart attack victims about \$200 a dose. The study said each year, according to doctors it is as effective as newer and who carried out a worldwide more expensive clot-dissolving

Petet Sleight, chairman of the of infarct survival (IS1S-2), pubstudy group, told reporters lished in the latest edition of the prompt treatment with aspirin British medical journal the Lanand the drug Streptokinase after cet, was the largest of its kind

It involved more than 17,000 within the first month of being patients from 417 hospitals in 16 countries.

The South Korean Red Cross

take urgent steps to arrange con-

tacts between an estimated 10

million family members sepa-

rated by the 1950-53 Korean war.

Southern Red Cross chief Kim

Sang-Hyup issued a statement

urging the Northern Red Cross to

resume stalled talks aimed ar

reuniting the separated family.

gun accepting requests from fami-

ly members who wish to have

contacts with their relatives in the

The South has unilaterally be-

# drugs. The second international study

### South Korea agrees to march with North at Seoul Olympics

to wrap up their pre-convention work, trying to highlight George Bush's experience and avoid a fight over the "Star Wars" anti- platform." missile system. Friday called on North Korea to The 106-member platform

committee finished with the domestic chapters of the 30,000-word document Thursday after cratic presidential candidate calling for an expensive loophole for the oil industry to be reopened and engaging in another bitter tangle over AIDS

But the more moderate party vention despite their dissent on a

"I doubt very much that there publican platform writers turn to will be any floor fights." said defence and foreign policy Friday Senator Robert Kasten, committee co-chairman. "The moderates in our party have had a significant impact on the newer issues in the

> The committee turns to 60 pages on foreign policy and de-fence, an area Bush sees as one of Michael Dukakis. Bush has said the United States

cannot be trusted to someone as inexperienced in foreign affairs as the Massachusetts governor. Dukakis counters by pointing to faithful opted not to disturb the Iran-contra scandal and U.S. Bush's plans for a peaceful con- government dealings with Panama's defence forces Chief Manuel variety of issues in what is mostly Antonio Noriega as black marks on the Reagan-Bush record.

### They would be preceded by a or part of five sports, including single Olympic flag and each the archery and table tennis. Discoveries encourage search for intelligent life

By Paul Recer The Associated Press

BALTIMORE - The discovery of new planets and of complex organic chemicals in comets is encouraging astronomers to intensify their search of the universe for intelligent life beyond the Earth.

The circumstantial evidence is mounting every day" that intelligent life could have developed elsewhere in the universe, said Michael Klein, managet of a U.S. space agency research effort.

"It is encouraging," he said Monday.

Klein said discoveries announced last week that planet-like objects have been found orbiting distant stars, and that organic chemicals thought to be the precursors to life exist in comets support fundamental theories about life evolving from cosmic chemistry.

"That is the circumstantial evidence that life exists elsewhere," Klein said. "We know now that the materials are there. It gives us a good feeling that we are on the right track. He commented at the 20th assembly of the International Astronomical Union, which is

meeting in Baltimore. Klein beads a project called the Search for Extraterrestial Intelligence, or SETI, that is planning to mount an intensified search for radio signals from civilisations that may exist on planets orbiting distant

Programmes run by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, by Harvard University, and others have listened for intelligencedirected radio signals for more than 20 years, but only a small fraction of the vast universe, and the many radio frequencies that must be monitored have actually been checked.

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory, which is operated by the California Institute of Technology for NASA, has proposed to expand the effort with sophisticated new equipment that would listen to tens of millions of channels at the same time. The equipment would be monitored by a computer capable of identifying signals that could be sent by intelligent life.

Klein said the new equipment would be able to look at a 1,000 different stars that are thought to be similar to the Earth's sun, locations that experts believe hold the best chance for the evolution of life. There also would be "whole

sky survey" in many radio frequencies in which every portion of the heavens would be systematically searched. Searches in the past "have

only scratched the surface." said Klein.

The new equipment would be 10 million times more thorough than present equipment, he said, noting, "in the first few

minutes we would be able to match all of the searches that were done before."

But even with the new devices the job is immense, said Frank Drake, chairman of a SETI committee of the astronomical union and an astronomer at the University of California. Santa Cruz. "Many people think the pro-

ject should succeed in the next year or two," he said. "That's probably not going to happen. The universe is so huge and the cosmic haystack so large, it will take us decades."

Drake added: "The consequences of success are so great that it's worth dealing with the problems.

The theory behind the SETI work is that because there are billions of galaxies, each with billions of stars, the odds are good that the conditions that permitted life to evolve on Earth must exist elsehwere. If so, then intelligent life could have developed along the same lines as it did here on Earth. Civilisations that are equal to or more advanced than humankind would be sending out signals, just as occurs on Earth. The SETI project is looking for those signals. Such signals may "leak out"

just as to do on Earth. Drake

"The strongest sign of our existence in the universe is the accumulation of our television signals," he said. The second most common tadio signal from Earth comes from military communications.

Klein said the U.S. budget now under consideration by Congress includes a \$6 million appropriation for the enhanced SETI equipment. He said the total project would last 10 years and cost \$90 million. If the funding is approved,

the intensified search could begin in 1992, with all of the new equipment on line by 1994.

# **Paper shortage puts**

MOSCOW (AP) - Soviets are

In a country where people read voraciously, the problem is more than just another wrinkle in daily

state-run press about the country's history and about Gorbachev's wide-ranging social and economic reforms. Thousands have left post

deluged with letters of protest. "It's understandable that we constantly have a paper deficit, but in our time of revolutionary tenewal, the thoughts and feelings by which the country is living is concentrated in the newspapers and magazines. Thetefore, it wouldn't be awful to sacrifice the circulation of other publications. Society would be genetously re-

Since Gorbachev came to pow-

**WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF** 

WASHINGTON (R) — Vice President George Bush said Thursday that be believed the United States should pay any money if owes to the United Nations. "The United States, if it has a commitment, ought to keep its word." Bush told reporters in response to a question. The United States is withholding \$44 million from its current assessment. The money is being held under provisions of a 1985 law that requires that 40 per cent of the annual U.S. assessment be withheld unless President Reagan certifies that reforms are being made in the U.N. budget process

#### 6 leaders seek Chilean guarantee

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — Six Lanin American presidents appealed Thursday for guarantees that Chilean voters will be able to express their will in an upcoming referendum on the presidency. The leaders, gathered here for the inauguration of Ecuador's new Socialist President, Rodrigo Borja, said in a brief communique that the Chilean vote, scheduled for next October, "is of particular interest" for the entire Latin American region. Signing the statement were the presidents of Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Uruguay, Venezuela, and Ecuador.

#### Earthquake hits Tokyo

TOKYO (AP) - Office workers scrambled under desks as a strog earthquake struck Tokyo and surrounding areas Friday, shaking buildings and halting trains and elevators in many parts of the city. There were no immediate reports of serious damage or injuries, police said. The 2:15 p.m. (0515 GMT) earthquake registered a preliminary 5.3 on the Richter Scale, central meteorological agency officials said. An earthquake measuring five on the scale is considered "very strong." All three of the region's high-speed Shinkansen "bullet" train lines and many commuter rail lines were halted temporarily to allow workers to examine track beds for damage, officials said. Car traffic was largely unaffected by the quake.

#### Angolan jet shot Masire's plane

GABORONE (AP) — An Angolan jet mistook President Quett Masire's executive plane for enemy aircraft and shot it down as he flew to a summit in the Angolan capital, the president's office said Wednesday. Masire suffered lacerations to his back and another member of his party was injured when the plane was hit Sunday as it flew over Angola. The pilot managed to land the plane and Masire was treated at a hospital in Luanda. Other leaders of the front line states held their summit to discuss proposals for an end to the Angolan war and independence for South-West Africa, also known as Namibia.

#### Seoul concerned over blood shortage

SEOUL (R) - South Korea's blood banks are being topped up as a precaution against a terrorist attack at the Seoul Olympic Games, health officials said Friday. The officials told reporters they were worried that with 250,000 foreign visitors at the games there might be a shortage of rare types of blood if a bomb blast caused mass casualties. The Korean National Red Ctoss has finalised a list of 3.000 nationals with RH negative blood - a characteristic of less than three per cent of Koreans, but up to 15 per cent of Westerners.